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Tenders will be received here, on behalf of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, until noon of Monday, the 25th October, 1897, for supplying such quantities of Fresh Beef, Vegetables, soft Bread and Fresh Water as may be required by H.M. Ships lying at Vancouver; also for supplying such quantities of Fresh Beef, Vegetables and Soft Bread as may be required by H.M. Ships lying at Comox, for twelve months certain from the 1st November, 1897.

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CANADA'S GOOD MONEY

A Buffalo Banker's Tribute to the Superiority of the Dominion Banking System.

This Country in Consequence Better Prepared for the Advancing Tide of Prosperity.

BUFFALO, Oct. 7.—The speech of Wm. C. Cornwell, president of the City Bank of Buffalo, delivered at the annual banquet of the bankers' association, held at the Clifton house, Niagara Falls, this evening, was highly eulogistic of Canada's banking system. Among other things he said:

"You have had no collapse like ours of 1893. You have no money party, no silver craze, no yearning for international bimetallism; and the reason that Canada is enjoying entire freedom from these disasters, is the fact that the currency all over British America can be increased to any extent that the demands of business may require. While in the United States the only relief is the issue of bank notes, and the pressing demand for currency is always past before it can be got into the hands of the persons needing it, and in far off or thinly settled districts they never get any at all. If the people in our Western and Southern states could obtain money as reasonably and as expeditiously as the people of Europe, we would have no more of 16 to 1.

"To-day you are sharing with us an advance of prosperity, and in that you are on a solid basis, and equipped with an adequate and elastic currency, you are much better prepared relatively than we to be benefited permanently by the resumption of good times."

LIVED WELL ON HIS WITS.

A Slick Swindler Who Has Picked Up a Hundred Thousand a Year.

NEW YORK, Oct. 7.—The police have in their custody a prisoner who, if all the charges against him are true, is one of the most remarkable swindlers in the criminal annals of the country. According to chief detective McClusky, his depredations have extended all over the United States. His name is Emmet B. Gibson. He is of middle age, and bears the alias of Geo. A. Sherin. He claims that he is a lawyer by profession, a railroad promoter by choice, and was at one time a judge in the state of Ohio, and vice-president of the Akron, Ohio, street railway company. The complainant against him is S. P. Stimpson, auditor of the Hotel Netherlands, and the Imperial hotel of this city and the Hotel Walton, of Philadelphia. The specific complaint against him is the laying down of a bogus check for $640 on August 26, 1896, and defrading the Hotel Imperial of this city of that amount in addition to failing to pay a hotel bill of $265.

He is accused of having laid down bogus checks, floated bogus stocks and worthless bonds, and carried on general swindling operations, for a period extending back four years, and of having in that time succeeded in obtaining by means of various fraudulent designs and devices a sum not far from $400,000.

ARKANSAS PARCHED.

Even Drinking Water Scarce in Many Parts and Forest Fires Doing Great Damage.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Oct. 7.—Drought and forest fires are doing great damage in Arkansas and the situation grows worse daily. Valuable timber and other property has been burned and stock in nearly all sections of the state is suffering from the scarcity of water, while in some places there is not even drinking water for the people. No general rain has fallen for over sixty days and in some localities the drought has been of even longer duration. Miles of fences have been destroyed, saw mills burned, cabins gutted, and in some instances the flames have communicated to large fields of open cotton which were destroyed.

In hundreds of localities wells and springs have entirely dried up and residents are hauling water in barrels from the nearest streams, which in some sections are 20 miles distant. Nearly all late vegetables have been parched in the fields. The people in many localities are holding meetings and praying for rain.

Bush Fires in Quebec.

JOLIETTE, Oct. 7.—Bush fires are raging all over this district. Immense tracts of maple trees with a number of sugar houses and their outfits have been destroyed.

Along the C.P.R. beyond Lanoraie station, whole tracts of country are ablaze. Nothing but heavy rain will subdue the flames.

Carpets beaten by machine at Weiler Bros.' factory. x

ONLY POLITE INQUIRY.

That Is the Nature of the Supposed Ultimatum to Spain From the United States.

MADRID, Oct. 7.—It is semi-officially announced that the note which General Woodford communicated to the Duke of Tetuan, the Spanish minister of foreign affairs, is not in the nature of an ultimatum. In spirit and text it is couched in friendly terms. The cabinet at Washington expresses a wish to know when Cuba can be pacified and requests Spain to reply before October 30, in order that President McKinley may be able to incorporate Spain's answer to his message to congress.

Prime Minister Sagasta, in agreement with Senor Gullon, the minister for foreign affairs, proposes to send a moderate reply declaring that Spain will await events, and is taking such measures as consideration of prudence dictate until the change of policy in Cuba smooths the relations between the two governments. The answer of Spain will not be drawn up until the programme for the reforms in Cuba has been published.

A cabinet council, at which the Queen Regent presided, was held here to-day. When the ministers separated Premier Sagasta announced to the inquiring newspaper men that no final decision had been taken in regard to the reply which Spain will make to the note of the United States. The Imparcial, however, says it learns that the reply of Spain will satisfy Spanish susceptibility in making clear to President McKinley the resolute attitude which Spain maintains in regard to Cuba.

THE SILVER CAUSE.

Great Britain's Determination Will Not Be Stated for Some Weeks.

LONDON, Oct. 7.—The predictions made in these dispatches on Saturday last to the effect that Great Britain's answer to the bimetallic proposals would be delayed have been confirmed.

Arrangements have now been made to hold informal conferences between the chancellor of the exchequer and other British officials on one side and the United States monetary commissioners and the United States ambassador on the other, for the purpose of securing a definite understanding as to what the United States and France expect. Consequently the promised answer may be delayed some weeks.

MR. TARTE DISOWNED.

The Club Letellier Refuse to Recognize Him as a Liberal.

MONTREAL, Oct. 7.—At a meeting of the Club Letellier last evening a motion was submitted to take part in the demonstration in honor of Mr. Tarte at Hochelaga, next Tuesday evening. The motion was objected to on the ground that Mr. Tarte in his evidence in the Grenier case had declined to state that he was a Liberal, and on division it was rejected by 40 to 17. L. J. Tarte, son of the minister, was afterwards elected vice-president of the club.

PNEUMATIC MAIL TUBES.

Inauguration of This System of Delivery in New York.

NEW YORK, Oct. 7.—The formal opening of the pneumatic mail tube service in this city took place to-day. The tube runs between the post office and produce exchange sub-station in Bowling Green. Other tubes will be started soon to Brooklyn and a sub-station at 44th street and Lexington avenue. The tube carriers will hold about 600 letters and can be dispatched every ten seconds. The first carrier sent out from the general office was silver-mounted, and will be preserved as a souvenir in the archives of the post office.

VICTORIA & EASTERN ROAD.

The Promoters Now Have Associated With Them Substantial Eastern People.

VANCOUVER, Oct. 7.—(Special)—The directors of the Vancouver and Eastern railroad here are very much excited over the editorial references to that road in the News-Advertiser of this morning, in effect as follows: "The negotiations which have been in progress for some weeks between the owners of the charter of the Vancouver, Victoria and Eastern Railway and Navigation Company, and certain capitalists, have been consummated by the sale of the charter to a syndicate represented by Messrs. William Mackenzie and D. D. Mann. We understand that the consideration for the transfer of all the rights under the charter is $75,000." It appears that they have sold only a controlling interest.

Warning to Hunters.

NEW YORK, Oct. 7.—Hugh Atkins, of Tuckahoe, N.Y., to-day mistook a fur cap for a woodcuck, and as a result blew an Italian's head to pieces. The body is not yet identified. He was near Young Quarry, Mount Vernon. His head, covered by the dark fur cap, just showed over the top of a wall. Atkins was arrested on the charge of homicide.

Klondyke Outfits at W. & J. Wilson's

Away Down East.

From east to west people have heart trouble. This causes violent headaches, neuralgia, nerve trouble, and prostration. Says Mrs. Somers, of Moncton, N.B.: "I tried many remedies but never found anything to give me such prompt relief as Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills have done. I suffered from the above symptoms, but now gladly testify to the cure these wonder-pills have made in my case, and I hope all sufferers will try them."

NEWS OF THE CAPITAL.

Coast Guard to Prevent Smuggling in Nova Scotia—More Trouble for the Tartes.

Public Appeal for Russell County Fire Sufferers—Place for Another Liberal.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

OTTAWA, Oct. 7.—Officials of the customs department realize that it is practically impossible with present facilities to prevent smuggling along the eastern coast of Nova Scotia, owing to the proximity of the French islands of St. Pierre and Miquelon. A proposition is now under consideration therefore to establish a coast guard for the section named.

Mr. Edwards, M.P. for Russell, was in town to-day. He says the devastation by fire in Russell and Prescott counties is far worse than at first stated. The fire swept over 300 square miles of territory. Five lives were lost, 2,000 people rendered homeless, and the damage amounts to hundreds of thousands of dollars. The Ottawa city council met this morning and voted $1,000 for temporary relief. Mayor Bingham sent out telegrams to-day to the mayors of cities in Ontario and Quebec asking an appeal to the charitably disposed public to subscribe generously to the relief fund.

A complication has arisen in connection with awarding the contract for the guard lock on section 12 of the Soulanges canal. It appears the work lies almost in the middle of a section now under contract, and if Mr. Blair awards the lock contract to a third party as proposed, Mr. McDonald, the present contractor, will have a claim for damages against the government.

Superintendent Daoust of the Lachine canal has been dismissed because he is a Conservative.

A Costa Rica merchant named Ross is interviewing the government with a view to promoting trade between that country and the Dominion. He says they can sell coffee and bananas to Canada, and buy bacon, butter, cheese and lumber.

Mr. Tarte's son, the editor of La Patrie, has been arrested for libel on complaint of the editor of La Presse.

MANITOBA AND NORTHWEST.

Bank Clearings Indicate Prosperity—Alberta Cattle in Good Shape—The Fires.

WINNIPEG, Oct. 7.—High winds prevailed throughout the province to-day, and it is feared that further disasters from prairie and bush fires have occurred. The farmers are unable to proceed with fall ploughing in many districts, owing to lack of moisture.

The Liberals of South Brandon will meet at Nesbitt on the 24th to select a candidate for the seat in the legislature made vacant by the resignation of H. C. Graham.

John Penman, aged 16 years, was instantly killed yesterday while placing his loaded gun in a boat. The weapon accidentally discharged, and he received the full charge in his breast.

Congressmen Tawney, Henry and Cannon, United States commissioners to Hawaii, passed through here to-day en route to Washington. Their car was transferred here from the Canadian Pacific to the Northern Pacific and they left for St. Paul and Chicago.

Winnipeg bank clearings for the week ending to-day were $3,116,663, balances $646,982; a large increase over the same week last year, when the figures were clearances $1,358,623, balances $307,708.

Senator Sanford, of Hamilton, is here.

More men are being hired to work on the Crow's Nest road.

Sir Wm. Van Horne and party are expected here during the night en route to the Pacific Coast.

Alberta stockmen report the cattle on the ranges in prime condition and in good shape to pull through the winter.

The low lands along the C. P. R. line being Fannisteelle and Headingly were burned over by prairie fires to-day, and several farmers were burned out. Nicholas Guillett and a young man named Mollott were brought to the hospital to-night from Fannisteelle. Mollott was frightfully burned while assisting Guillette to suppress the fires, and may not recover.

NORTHWEST GOVERNMENT.

The First Responsible Ministry About to Be Formed—The Consequent Elections.

WINNIPEG, Oct. 7.—A Regina, N.W.T., despatch says: Lieutenant-Governor Mackintosh arrived home this morning, and will immediately send for Mr. Haultain and ask him to form a ministry. Mr. Haultain will recommend as his colleagues Messrs. Ross and Mitchell of the present executive, and Messrs. Pulyea and Magrath. Nominations for the ministers' elections will be on the 26th.

At Moosejaw Mr. Ross will be opposed by I. G. Baker.

R. B. Gordon, whose two positions were terminated by statute on the 1st instant, will be reappointed clerk of the assembly, and subsequently to this the office of law clerk will be added.

THE "PHEASANT'S" RELIEF.

A Special Train to Bring Them From Montreal Next Week.

MONTREAL, Oct. 7.—One hundred and ninety-eight sailors and several officers are due here on Sunday by the Allan line. They are bound for Esquimalt to relieve the crew of H.M.S. Pheasant. A special fast train will carry them across the continent.

GOLD pans at Cheapside. x

WHY BRITAIN DECLINES!

The Washington Government Supplied With Full Information as to the Position.

No Delegates to a Second Conference Until the Whole Business Is Adjusted.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 7.—The state department has received full information as to the position of the British government on the proposed Behring Sea conference. This proves to be much more complete than the brief cable reports from London indicate, as the department has been advised not only of Great Britain's declination to enter a conference unless it is limited to the experts of the United States and Great Britain and Canada, but also has been informed quite fully as to what led the Marquis of Salisbury to this conclusion.

The British view as laid before the state department is that at no stage of the negotiations has the British government agreed to a conference, except between the experts of Great Britain, Canada and the United States. It is not questioned that Secretary Sherman and Ambassador Hay made suggestions that the conference should be between the powers interested, and that some of the notes from the United States expressed a desire to have Russia and Japan take part in the conference. But it is pointed out that these suggestions came from the United States, and until accepted could have no effect in determining the nature of the conference. So far as the suggestions were accepted, the note of Lord Salisbury of July 28 is said to stand alone, and this note, it is stated, mentioned only a conference between the United States, Great Britain and Canada.

The latest correspondence on the subject leads to considerable doubt as to who will participate in the coming meetings. It has been understood that the difficulty will be bridged over by holding two meetings, in one of which Russia and Japan will participate without Great Britain, while a second meeting would be held between the experts of Great Britain and of the United States. It is understood that Ambassador Hay was directed to effect such an arrangement in case Great Britain declined to enter the general conference.

But there is now some question whether the British authorities will participate in any way until a definite decision is reached as to who will take part in the general conference, as there is understood to be some reluctance on the part of the British to join in a dual conference, and some doubt whether the British experts will leave for this country to attend either a general or limited conference until an understanding is reached on the entire subject. As the conference is so near at hand—the first plan having been to hold it on October 23—the negotiations are necessarily by cable, and by this means a satisfactory adjustment may be reached.

BACKING UP SALISBURY.

London Press Applauds Him for Staying Out of the Proposed Conference.

LONDON, Oct. 8.—The Daily Graphic and other papers this morning justify Lord Salisbury's refusal to participate in a conference as to pelagic sealing which includes the representatives of Russia and Japan.

The Standard says: It rests with Secretary Sherman to find his way out of a self-created difficulty without a sacrifice of dignity.

The Daily News says: The impetuosity of the United States and their desire to include countries indirectly interested are unpleasant features of the controversy.

BRITISH EXPORTS.

Markets Must Be Found Elsewhere to Offset the Effect of the Dingley Tariff.

LONDON, Oct. 8.—The morning papers comment upon the continued decline in British exports. The board of trade returns for September show a seven and one-half per cent. decline for the month as compared with the corresponding period of last year. It is admitted that this is mainly due to the Dingley tariff.

The Times says: "Whatever its ultimate effect, it is clear that the immediate result of protection in America is to close the American markets very largely to British exports. We may as well make up our minds to this fact and seek an opening for our goods elsewhere."

UNDER HIGHER TARIFF.

The First Full Month a Record Breaker For the United States.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 7.—The bureau of statistics has issued a table showing the exports and imports for August, the first full month under the new tariff. The figures show the largest exports of domestic merchandise of any August in the history of the government.

The exports were $79,490,264. For the first eight months of the year they were $61,810,000 in excess of the first eight months of 1896, so that the bureau officials believe that the exports of the year will far exceed those of last year, which was itself a record breaking year.

The value of all imports, dutiable and free, for August was $39,848,312. These figures show a decrease of about $50,000,000 compared with 1896, due to a heavy reduction in the importation of raw wool.

If your child is puny, fretful, troubled with glandular swellings, inflamed eyes, or sores on the head, face, or body, a course of Ayers Sarsaparilla is needed to expel the scrofulous humors from the blood. The sooner you begin to give this medicine the better.

A beautiful range of lace curtains, in Brussel's lace effects; excellent designs, fine net and very durable. Weiler Bros. x

Drowsiness is dispelled by BEECHAM'S PILLS.

TRADE IN CANADA.

General Business Fairly Satisfactory for the Week With Few Striking Features.

TORONTO, Oct. 7.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly statement of trade in Canada says: "As nearly as can be judged from general inquiries the 4th of October payments in dry goods and kindred lines at Montreal showed a good average, though some houses profess to have been better paid than others. In most other lines a distinct improvement is reported in the country, but some complaints are heard regarding city payments. Failures for the week in this district are singularly few.

The general trade movement may be called fairly satisfactory. The weather has not yet been sufficiently broken or cold to make an active sorting trade in shoes, clothing and dry goods, but grocerymen report a good demand, and hardware, paints and oils, etc., are also in pretty good request. The stiffening in values in many lines continues.

CHEAP GAS FOR BOSTON.

New York Capitalists to Compete There With the Standard Oil Interests.

BOSTON, Oct. 7.—Henry N. Whitney, president of the Dominion Coal Co., confirms the report that a syndicate is about to begin the manufacture of gas in competition with existing companies controlled by the Standard Oil Co.

He said: "The report that a syndicate, which is comprised chiefly of New York capitalists, has secured the control of the Massachusetts Pipe Line Company, is correct. I have already announced that I have passed over the Dominion Coal Company's interest to the syndicate. We are going to make coke and will have a large plant in Everett, and we intend to give Boston cheaper gas than she is now getting."

Dr. Jameson's Ambition.

LONDON, Oct. 7.—A despatch to the Daily Mail from Capetown says that Dr. Jameson, the hero of the Transvaal raid, will seek a seat in the Cape assembly at the next general election. The chief plank in his platform will be "Federation for South Africa."

The Afridis Excused.

LONDON, Oct. 8.—The correspondent of the Times at Simla says: A general order will be issued announcing that in consideration of the loyalty hitherto exhibited by the Afridis in the government service they will be excused from participating in the punitive expedition against their rebellious fellow tribesmen.

DOMES, BUBBLES AND EGGSHELLS

Seen from a distance on a fine day the dome of St. Paul's looks as light as a soap bubble; and if it could talk, it would tell you it feels as light, for the mighty strength of the great church carries it as a man carries a baby on his shoulder. Yet it weighs—how much, do you fancy?

A woman stood in the doorway awaiting the return of her husband. He had left home with a heavy load of anxiety on his mind. Presently she saw him coming. Matters had been satisfactorily adjusted; she knew it by his face. Walking quickly up to her, he said, not loudly, but gently, with pauses between his words: "*Wife—if you should heap a bushel of eggs in that door-I feel I could run over them and not break one.*"

This is in the line of universal experience. Weight—so far as it concerns the human body at least—is not determined by the scales, but by sensation.

We beg to introduce Mr. John Stafford, who says: "*I feel as if a heavy load had been lifted off me.*"

"For over twenty years," he adds, "I had suffered from obstinate indigestion and constipation. For more than a week at a time I would never have my bowels moved."

The reader is an intelligent person doubtless. Consider Mr. Stafford's statement, then, for a moment let us put the fact in plain English. His intestines were full of rottenest; they were like a stagnant morass, breeding disease and death. The poisons engendered by so vile an accumulation are absorbed by the tissues, pass into the blood, and infest every organ and part of the system. If not relieved the victim will die—poisoned by the products of his own machinery. It is as horrible as the Black Hole at Calcutta, and common as weeds in a neglected garden.

We are, therefore, prepared to hear him say: "I always had a bad taste in the mouth, my tongue and teeth being covered with a sticky, slimy matter. I was constantly belching up a foul gas or fluid that tasted sour as vinegar. After eating I had great pain and tightness in the chest, back, and between the shoulders, with a choking feeling in the throat. As time went on I grew weaker and weaker, through loss of appetite and lack of nourishment, until I could hardly follow my work. I tried all sorts of medicines I could hear tell of, but none of them did me any good.

"In June (1893) I was so run down and feeble I feared I should have to give up altogether. I was under a doctor for several weeks but his medicines did me no good; I kept getting worse and worse. At last, in July of the same year, my mates at the Marsh Iron Works, where I was employed told me about Mother Seigel's Syrup, and urged me to give it a trial. I got a bottle, and after I had taken it a few days *I felt a great improvement.* My bowels acted naturally, as they had not previously done for twenty years, my food agreed with me, and *I felt as if a heavy load had been lifted off me.* Continuing to take the Syrup I gained strength rapidly, and have been in the best of health ever since. You will believe me when I say that I now recommend this remedy to everyone who suffers from the same complaint. You are welcome to publish my statement. Yours truly. (Signed) John Stafford, 15 Spa Terrace, Marsh Lane, Preston, October 11th, 1893."

Indigestion is primarily a disease of the stomach and constipation is one of its results. On account of the torpidity of the liver (an accompaniment of indigestion) little or no bile is poured into the bowels, and the fluids of the intestines being dried up by the feverish action there, the partly digested stuff from the stomach becomes hard and solid in the lower bowel, and clogs it. Then it putrifies, producing all the evils from which our friend suffered. Seigel's Syrup cured him by setting things right at the source of the trouble. We congratulate Mr. Stafford on his escape; it was narrow enough for the strongest and boldest.

The *scales* will tell him he weighs more than he has in twenty years; his *feelings* will tell him that he can stand on an egg and not break it.

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OPERATIONS ON 'CHANGE.

Chicago Gas Furnished the Interesting Feature of the Stock Market.

NEW YORK, Oct. 7.—The sum and substance of to-day's stock market may be comprised in the worlds "Chicago Gas." The announcement that the companies outside the consolidation had been sold to a syndicate representing interests powerful in gas in many other large cities caused a slump within a few minutes of opening. A block of 9,000 shares was the first sale, at prices ranging from 96 to 95, and the first of these was the highest price of the day. The stock sold at one time as low as 92⅞. Large blocks of the stock were sold short in the interest of the bear clique, with the design of effecting a sympathetic decline of the general market. The total sales were over 100,000 shares. This purpose was only partly successful and before the termination of the first hour the shorts were covering hastily and prices of many stocks, the high-priced Industrial being conspicuous, rose a point or over. The market declined again under renewed pressure on Chicago Gas, and for the balance of the day fell into a condition of almost total apathy. The available offerings of stocks at the low level were apparently exhausted, but it was equally apparent that buyers were not ready to bid up prices to a point that would invite sales in any quantity. The announcement that $1,000,000 more gold had been engaged for export to New York was without apparent effect either on the stock market, the money market or the exchange market. London was a buyer to a small extent on balance. Net changes are very narrow in almost all cases, and are distributed between gains and losses.

The Evening Post says: "London came in as a moderate buyer on balance and purchases were followed by some leisurely covering of shorts, as a result of which the average price list was temporarily advanced, but the market was extremely dull, professional operators having the market exclusively to themselves. There was no news of any consequence aside from the development in the gold and sterling markets, which have become matters of daily routine." The Post's London cable says: "The American securities, after moderate fluctuations, strengthened with New York buying aiding the upward movement. The close was firm, and the demand moderate."

Closing quotations: Amn. Tob., 87¾; Amn. Sugar, 146¼; do pfd., 115½; Amn. Spirits, 12½; Atch. & S.F., 14⅝; do pfd., 31¼; B. & O., 16; C. B. & Q., 96¾; Con. Gas. 209; C. C. C. & St. L., 36⅞; D. & R. pfd., 48; G. E., 36¼; J. C., 94¾; Laclede Gas Com., 42¾; L. E. & W., 19; pfd., 76; L. & N., 59⅝; Man., 104¾; Mo. Pac., 32⅞; Natl. Lead, 37½; do pfd., 104; N.P. com new, 19½; N. Y. C. & H., 19½; N. Y. L. E. & W., 16⅝; N. Y. O. & W., 17⅝; N. Y. S. & W. pfd., 38½; Omaha com., 81; P. M., 35⅝; P. & R. all paid, 25¾; Sou. Ry. com., 10¾; do pfd., 34½; T. C. & I., 30¼; Tex. Pac., 12; U. P. Rects., 23⅜ Wabash; pfd, 21¼; W.U., 90¼; Com. Cable in Montreal, 182½; C.P.R. in London, 83¾.

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Wheat, spot weak; No. 2 red, 97⅜c f.o.b. afloat; No. 2 hard, 97⅞c f.o.b. afloat. Options opened weak under reported rains in the West, recovered on foreign buying and steadiness of Continental, markets, but weakened again owing to disappointing exports and liquidation, and closed 1 to 1½c net lower. No. 2 red, Jan., closed 95⅝c; May, 93⅞c; Nov., 95⅞c; Dec., 94⅞c.

CHICAGO, Oct. 7.—Wheat closed: No. 2, Oct., 89⅞c.; Dec., 91⅝c.; May, 91¼c. Corn, No. 2, Oct., 37½c.; Dec. 29¼c.; May, 32⅞c. Oats, No. 2, Oct., 19c.; Dec., 19¾c.; May, 22¾c. Mess pork, Oct., $7.75; Dec., $7.85; Jan., $8.77½. Lard, Oct., $4.20; Dec., $4.27½; Jan., $4.42½. Short ribs, Oct., $4.70; Oct., $4.52½; Jan., $4.52½.

LONDON, Oct 7.—The situation continues to improve so far as beet sugar is concerned, and there was a rise in the price, so that October and November are now quoted at 8s. 9d. The official tone of beet was firm. Cane was dull but not quotably lower, with Java standing at 10s. 7d. and fair refining at 8s. 9d.

THE POUNDKEEPER'S VERSION.

TO THE EDITOR:—I wish to emphatically contradict the statement made by "Cave Canem" in yesterday morning's COLONIST. I made only one attempt to catch the dog referred to; but at that time it was fifty yards or more from the lady mentioned, and in my judgment was straying. When the dog ran to the lady I gave up the attempt, I did not speak to the lady until she addressed me, and then—as she asked me—I gave her my authority.

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Application for the Invention Called "Improvements in Stone Crushing Mills."

Notice is hereby given for general information that Bagster Roads Seabrook and John Reitter Brown, manufacturer and miner, residing at Victoria, New Westminster, Canada, America, deposited on the 2nd day of August, 1897, at my office, an application for Letters Patent for the invention above named, with a final specification of the same.

Now, whereas the said Bagster Roads Seabrook; and John Reitter Brown have given me written notice that they wish to proceed with their application, I have decided that all objections thereto must be deposited at my office before Friday, the 19th day of November, 1897, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, whereupon the State Attorney shall fix a date for dealing with the same.

I therefore summon all persons objecting to a patent being granted for the above named invention to the above named Bagster Roads Seabrook and John Reitter Brown, to deposit at my office a document clearly stating their grievances, before the aforesaid date of hearing, as they will otherwise be excluded from submitting the same.

Done this 2nd day of the month of August, 1897, at Pretoria, South African Republic.

(Signed) CARL UHLEKEMANN, Sr.
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NEWS OF THE PROVINCE

Change of Venue for Mrs. Rabbitt's Case—A Divorce Suit at Kamloops.

Transfer of the Vancouver Gas Interests—Japanese Market for Canadian Butter.

(Special to the COLONIST.)

VANCOUVER.

VANCOUVER, Oct. 7.—This was a civic holiday here and most places of business were closed. The C. P. R. took eleven coaches of passengers, mostly children, to the Westminster fair, and the interurban tramway has been taxed to the utmost all day.

T. Hoshi, Japanese ambassador at Washington, arrives in Vancouver on Sunday by the Atlantic express, en route for Japan on leave of absence.

Vancouver sporting circles believe that the supremacy in lacrosse has not yet been decided. The score in the championship game was 2 to 1 in favor of Westminster, and one of Westminster's games was scored by a Vancouver player accidentally kicking the rubber through their poles.

As the result of negotiations between Dr. Milne, the principal shareholder in the Vancouver Gas Company, and Mr. William Mackenzie, of Toronto, it is probable that in a day or two the latter gentleman will acquire a controlling interest in that enterprise. The prospective purchaser has come to the conclusion that the property possesses the elements requisite to make it a profitable investment. Mr. Mackenzie and associates own the Winnipeg gas works and he is, therefore, well informed as to such enterprises. Mr. Mackenzie left for Banff yesterday to join his partner, Mr. Ross, who is on his way to the coast with Sir William Van Horne.

British Columbia farmers who want a new market for their butter will be interested in hearing of a possible field in Japan. The Canadian Trade Commissioner, Mr. George Anderson, writes concerning the demand in that country for Canadian butter, that Manitoba butter has already found its way into favor there, and it looks as if there would be abundant room for further business in this line.

The election for an alderman in Ward Five was held yesterday, and resulted in the return of ex. Alderman Alex. Bethune over ex-Alderman C. L. Brown by a vote of nearly two to one. Mr. Bethune obtained 143 votes and Mr. Brown 74, six being spoiled.

WESTMINSTER.

NEW WESTMINSTER, Oct. 7.—Alfonz Herregodts, a cigar-maker, employed in the Mainland cigar factory, died yesterday from cancer. He had been a resident here for a number of years.

J. A. McKinnon appeared in the police court yesterday on a charge of obtaining money and board under false pretences. The prosecutrix not appearing when the case was called it was dismissed.

The formal opening of the Columbian Methodist College took place last night, Lieutenant-Governor Dewdney being amongst the guests.

KAMLOOPS.

For the first time in the history of Kamloops a divorce case came before the Assize court here this week, Justice McColl presiding. Mr. Edgar Moore Allison, a rancher living at Similkameen, near Princeton, petitioned for a divorce from his wife, Louisa Allison, nee Miss Louisa Murphy, who, previous to her marriage, lived with her parents, near Hope. The petitioner alleged that his wife was guilty of adultry and desertion, she having left him and went to live with one Luke Gibson, who it seems was a partner of the petitioner in the ranching business. Mr. F. J. Fulton appeared for the petitioner, and Mr. G. E. Corbould, Q.C., of New Westminster, for the respondent, and also for the co-respondent Gibson. The petitioner Allison was the first witness. He said that he was married in June, 1892, to Miss Louisa Murphy. They lived together until November, 1895, when she went off with Luke Gibson. The respondent's and co-respondent's counsel did not call any witnesses, stating that they had no defence to offer. His Lordship reserved judgment, saying that it looked as if there was collusion between the parties.

The case against Mrs. Rabbitt for the alleged murder of James Hamilton will not be tried in Kamloops after all. Mr. F. J. Fulton, acting on instructions from the crown, moved for a change of venue, on the grounds that such a short time having elapsed since the affair happened that public opinion is too excited for calm consideration; that the crown require more time to work on the case, and that the pannel of jurors being so small there would be a very small choice. Leave was granted to adjourn the case to Vernon, where it will be tried on Monday.

LILLOOET.

The interest in Bridge river is increasing daily. A large number of prospectors have gone up with supplies to last until snow falls. The Ida May claim is to be developed this fall and winter by the owners.

The Golden Cache stamp mill has commenced stamping. A large number were present from the Coast to see the first rock broken.

The new town flag was hoisted and dampened by an enthusiastic crowd of loyal Britishers. Flagstaff McFarlane was toasted and wished eternal joy. Friday morning several of the residents were somewhat surprised to see a siwash flag hoisted on the new flagstaff, and considerable trouble was had in getting it down. It is not known who were the guilty parties.

Mr. Carlyle has reached Lillooet on his tour of the mines in the province. He has inspected the Golden Cache.

NELSON.

George T. Goodhue, of Waneta, manager of the Kootenay Water Supply Co., W. M. Goodhue, one of the shareholders, and Wm. Archer, of New York, director, were in attendance upon the Supreme court in Nelson during the week. Judgment for $4,745.96, the amount of the overdraft, was given for plaintiff McBroom against the company, together with costs and interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum from September 4, 1896. Manager Goodhue, in speaking of the matter, said that the judgment would be paid as would all the other debts of the company. He believed that the plant would be sold and operations resumed, and is impressed with the belief that under a different directorate the ground on the Pend d'Oreille can be profitably worked. Mr. Archer does not think that the ground can be made to pay and says that if the plant is not sold and taken away, that it might be turned into an electric power and lighting plant for the purpose of supplying Rossland with those commodities. Mr. Archer left for the Black Hills, Colorado, where he has large mining interests.

KASLO.

The election of a treasurer took place at the last meeting of the city council, with the result that O. T. Stone received two votes and John B. McKilligan three. His Worship declared Mr. McKilligan elected. The bonds for the new official were placed in two sureties of $500 each, and his official salary fixed at $200 per year. S. H. Green, the retiring treasurer, was ordered paid at that rate for services rendered.

Another big sale has been closed in this city. The sale covers a group comprising the Ruthie Bell, Lavinia and Iron Cap, situated on the divide between Glacier and Hamil creeks. Mr. L. E. Booker, a prominent Minneapolis banker, was the buyer. The purchase price was in the neighborhood of $25,000, cash, and it is Mr. Booker's intention to commence work as speedily as possible. Mr. E. A. Otto, A. R. McDonald and Norman McLeod are the fortunate parties who made the sale. The claims were located last spring by the three parties above mentioned and some little work had been done thereon. Mr. Booker will remain here some time looking after his interests before returning to Minneapolis.

A THRIVING MUNICIPALITY.

The Garden District for Vancouver City Makes a Flourishing Report.

VANCOUVER, Oct. 7.—(Special)—Burnaby fruit and vegetable growers are very well satisfied with the aggregate result of their efforts at prize winning at the New Westminster exhibition, having succeeded in gaining quite a respectable number of awards for a fruit and market growing district that is yet only some four years old. Municipal affairs are in good shape in Burnaby, the council having, after doing much good road and other work and attending fully also to such other important matters as the care of public health, the maintenance of sick and disabled poor, etc., a sum still in hand of over $3,800, available for further improvement work, interest payments and routine charges, calling for cash disbursements before the end of the year. The council will in all probability carry to next year's credit a cash balance of at least $700 and credits in respect of taxes due and in arrear respectively, to a further extent of $7,000 or more. The sinking fund, most of which is safely invested on sound mortgages of property held by thrifty local cultivators, will meanwhile have been brought up to more than the full legal amount. The several small municipal loans locally made out of the sinking fund, materially assist small holders in improving their land, while the interest thereon is usually paid half-yearly without difficulty, out of the proceeds of small road contracts taken up by the borrowers with the council after, as a rule, no little competition. The expenditure of the municipality on its improvement work practically all enures to the benefit of home labor, as such work, when on roads, is divided into sections of moderate extent and local men then take it up, associated in little groups of working partners, on terms with which outside local contractors find it impossible to compete. The council thus secures good work, done cheaply by its own people. Burnaby has a population of only about 500 men, women and children, yet out of its limited number of adult male residents at least sixty usually earn respectable sums yearly by municipal work. This fact greatly advantages the thrifty local small cultivator. It is worth noting also that the government small-holding settlement at Central Park, Burnaby, promises to become a complete success, very easy terms having to the delight of all the residents been obtained from the Land and Work Department at Victoria. Already good houses and other improvements have been erected and made in the settlement, representing probably, as regards the Burnaby portion of the settlement—part of which lies in South Vancouver—a total value of at least $30,000.

CENTRAL AMERICAN TRADE.

The Local Consul for Ecuador Working Actively to Develop It.

VANCOUVER, Oct. 7.—(Special)—From numerous letters received from merchants in Central America by the consul for Ecuador, Mr. John MacQuillan, it appears that it is quite possible to establish a trade between Canada and Central America. Martin Reinberg, a wholesaler of Guayaquil, writes that there is no reason why such a trade could not be established. They will aid Canadian Commissioner Sheppard all they can, he says.

Mr. J. A. Wheeler, of Guayquil takes an opposite view. He says the great drawback to trade between Canada and Central America lies in the freight rates. All goods that can be dealt in except lumber are steamer goods, and it would be almost impossible for Canada to compete with the United States. Canada can get sugar cheaper from the West Indies. Cocoa, coffee, vegetables and ivory are exported to all parts of the world. Something might be done in cigars, but they could only go via San Francisco as the steamship agencies will not sign a bill of landing through to Vancouver. Oregon pine is used. Smoked salmon is unknown.

Consul Macquillan is working hard to promote trade, and has such faith in the successful outcome of his efforts that he will try a schooner of his own for the route and the government of Ecuador are aiding Mr. Macquillan.

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THE TOWN OF GRAND FORKS Has sprung into existence within the last year; early in the spring the place consisted of a few houses. Owing to the rapid opening of the Mines and the travel and traffic consequent on between 4,000 and 6,000 claims having been located, there are now estimated to be over 200 houses and 500 people residing in the town. The principal buildings consist of a three-story and several two-story Hotels, General Stores, Butchers, Bakers, Post Office, The Grand Forks Miner Newspaper Office, Brewery, Assembly Rooms, &c., &c., and all the usual Dry Goods, Millinery, Furniture and other businesses, which with several fine dwellings go to make up a busy town. Surveyors, Lawyers, Assayers, Real Estate Agents, Share and Mine Brokers are now established in business in this place.

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A POWERFUL MINING & SMELTING CO. Report their intention of building a **500-Ton Smelter** in the close proximity of this land, and the owners have been applied to for a site for this purpose. Such an industry is warranted from the fact that the Great Volcanic Mine, said to be the largest deposit of copper gold ore now known, purposes to smelt the product of their mine at this point. The Projected Roads make it the most convenient receiving and shipping point, and a leading Bank is said to be about to open an Agency, as the employment of the requiaed labor will circulate a no small sum of money each month.

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$20 REWARD.

Lee Jock alias Ah Sing, has been missing from his home since Wednesday last. Anyone giving information of him and bringing him to Wah Yun & Co. 78 Cormorant street, City, will receive the above reward. Ah Jock alias Ah Sing is 26 years of age; height 5 ft. [illegible] round chubby face. He is of unsound mind se28

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New Westminster Route.

LEAVE VICTORIA for New Westminster, Ladner's Landing and Lulu Island—Sunday at 23 o'clock; Wednesdays and Fridays at 7 o'clock. Sunday's steamer to New Westminster connects with C.P.R. train No. 3 going East Monday.
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For Moresby and Pender Islands—Friday at o'clock
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Victoria, January 1st.

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THE WESTMINSTER FAIR.

The management and exhibitors are to be congratulated upon the great success of the fair at New Westminster. It is a splendid object lesson as to the capabilities of British Columbia. It bears out to the fullest extent all that has ever been written as to the future of agriculture in this province, when once it gets upon a proper basis. It kindles interest into enthusiasm, and suggests that, great a thing as it would be to develop the mineral wealth of the province, it would be still greater to place its agriculture where it ought to be.

In the course of his well-timed remarks at the opening of the fair, Lieut.-Governor Dewdney suggested that it might be timely to think of holding a provincial exhibition. This idea seems to be very general among the people at Westminster, who feel that the time has come when an effort should be made to get together a representative exhibition of the agricultural products of all parts of the province. The suggestion is well worth considering.

THE FARMERS AND LEGISLATION.

Whatever difference of opinion may exist as to the advisability of a third party movement under the leadership of the Farmers' Alliance or any similar organization, there is no doubt that the condition of some of the farming sections is such that an effort ought to be made to devise legislation in their interest. The matter is a very difficult one to deal with, and possibly the objections that will be made to some needed reforms are at present insurmountable, but discussion is always timely and out of free discussion good is almost certain to result.

There is not enough of such discussion in British Columbia. In the legislature a few gentlemen delight to pose as the friends of the farmer, but as yet they have done very little more than ventilate a few abstract principles and do a little miscellaneous scolding. What the agricultural interests need is practical discussion; that is, discussion on definite issues, for the evils complained of are not simply theoretical and they cannot be reached by mere theoretical remedies.

One of the points on which farmers need relief is the interest charged on mortgages. There is no question on this point. Most of the mortgage loans were made when property was at the top notch and prices of all kinds were high. Prices have fallen, and that is equivalent to a corresponding increase in the rate of interest. If a man engages to pay 10 per cent. interest on hay land with hay at $16 per ton and hay drops to $8, he is paying the equivalent of 20 per cent., which is practical confiscation. The farmers who have their farms mortgaged are as a rule little better than servants of the mortgagees, working hard and living close in order to pay interest. There is no doubt that a remedy ought to be provided, if a practical one can be suggested, and it ought not to be impossible to devise one. The desire of most farmers, who have spoken or written on this subject, is that the government shall come to their rescue, either by borrowing money and lending it to the farmers to redeem their mortgages as they fall due, or for the government to guarantee the interest on money to be borrowed by voluntary associations of individuals. These plans ought to be very fully ventilated, for we are confident that if a practical means of assisting farmers in this respect can be discovered the legislature would be glad to sanction it.

There are other points upon which the legislature might find itself able to assist agriculture. It is said that there is need of reform in the system of municipal government in force. At present it is alleged that only a very small per cent. of the taxpayers are able to vote at municipal elections, owing to the fact that the great majority have been unable to pay their taxes. It is worth considering whether there might not be little more latitude allowed on this point. The present arrangement is alleged to result in the retention of the control of the municipalities in the hands of rings.

Without any doubt there are some things which the legislature can do to assist agriculture, and notably by aiding in the improvement of farm stock. This is a subject that has been already referred to, and will be considered again in future issues of the COLONIST.

What we want to-day particularly to do is to say to the farmers of British Columbia that the way to secure legislative aid in the direction needed, is to make their voices heard. We advise against an attempt to do too many things at once. Rather let the farmers decide upon two or three things which seem to be the most urgent, and press these forward for consideration. If too much is attempted, differences of opinion will arise, and the best laid plans will be defeated. Our advice to the farmers is to agitate for such relief as there is reason to hope the legislature can be persuaded to grant, and such as can be recommended as based on practical business principles.

WE DO not know that we are under any particular obligation to defend the editor of the Kamloops Sentinel; but on general principles we think it is wrong to assail a newspaper editor for what he did in former days in his capacity as a reporter. A reporter is assigned to do certain work and told how to do it. It is his duty to do as he is told or throw up his job, and as most reporters are not the possessors of large bank balances, they generally do as they are told.

MR. H. A. BURNETT, of this city, acted very promptly in correcting a serious omission on the part of the Metropolitan Magazine. In the October number of that periodical the Klondyke was described and Seattle was named as the great starting point. Mr. Burnett promptly corrected the error, sending the editor numerous clippings from the COLONIST. For this he has received the thanks of the editor of the Magazine.

WE ARE informed that the statement about the promoters of the Victoria, Vancouver & Eastern railway having parted with all their interest to Messrs. Mann and Mackenzie is incorrect. They retain a very considerable interest in the project.

OUR good friend the Columbian is not quite certain whether it wants a provincial election before next session or not. It's lucky that the Columbian does not have the settlement of the question.

THE CANADIAN PRESS.

CRUELTY TO THE SEALS.

U.S. agents are branding the seals on the Pribyloff rookeries with red hot irons, and the report comes that the herd is migrating from the American to the Asiatic side of the Behring Sea. Should the report be true, opinion everywhere outside the realm of Washington will hold that inhuman selfish cruelty will be fittingly rewarded.—Montreal Gazette.

A POET'S STATISTICS.

Joaquim Miller's views of things in the Klondyke should be taken with a great deal of allowance. He is a poet, and with more than the poet's usual optimism. He has more sunny ways in his make-up than the Canadian Premier ever dreamt of. Agreeable exaggeration therefore comes natural from him. He says that next winter 200 tons of gold will be mined in the Klondyke. A ton of gold is worth roundly $400,000, and 200 tons would be the equivalent of $80,000,000. That would be several millions more than one-third of the world's total production of gold last year.—Manitoba Free Press.

FAITH IN SILVER.

Notwithstanding what some are pleased to call the "ruinous" price of silver, the investing public is going ahead as if nothing had ever happened to question the wisdom of putting money into silver mines. During the last fortnight more money has been placed in Slocan silver mines than in any gold or copper camp in Kootenay.—Kaslo Kootenaian.

RE-LOCATION OF MINERAL CLAIMS.

Some changes in the British Columbia mining regulations are looked for at the next session of the legislature, as the outcome of Prof. Carlyle's recent tour of the mines. There is a disposition on the part of claim-holders to shirk the annual assessment falling due within the year following the location of claims by a system of re-locating. The effect of this is that large areas are staked off, and no work is performed beyond the driving of the stakes. In one district one man was holding sixty claims. The regulations will, therefore, be made more stringent.—Ashcroft Mining Journal.

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THE ALASKAN BOUNDARY.

The Settlement of Importance in Connection With the Routes to Klondyke.

(From the Montreal Gazette.)

When Mr. Sifton is in the Northwest inspecting the Yukon passes, it is to be hoped that he will take the boundary question into serious consideration. Sir Charles Tupper drew his attention to it last session, and urged its importance; but Mr. Sifton rather waived it to one side. Subsequent events have shown it to be a matter of the very greatest moment. The question of access to the new gold fields may hang upon this issue. The principal routes now used, except that via Edmonton, are supposed to pass in part through U.S. territory, and as a matter of fact the U.S. government have established custom offices at the head of the Lynn canal, whence a start is made by the Chilcoot and White passes, those hithertoo most generally used, for the Klondyke. The Hon. David Mills, who studied this subject when Minister of the Interior, and other authorities who have looked into it, contend that the head of the Lynn canal, with the ports of Dyea and Skagway, is in British territory. The claim is well founded. It rests upon the following clause in the boundary convention between Great Britain and Russia in 1825, for the United States in buying the territory from Russia in 1867 could only buy the rights Russia possessed:

"That whenever the summit of the mountains which extend in the direction parallel with the coast from the 56th degree of north latitude to the point of intersection of the 141st degree of west longitude shall prove to be at the distance of more than 10 marine leagues from the the ocean, the limit between the British possessions and the line of coast which is to belong to Russia, as above mentioned (that is to say, the limit to the possession ceeded by this convention) shall be formed by a line parallel to the windings of the coast, and which shall never exceed the distance of 10 marine leagues therefrom."

This seems clear enough. In the district in question, which includes the whole of the disputed territory, the boundary line is never to be more than ten leagues distant from the coast. A correspondent on the spot says: "The mouth of the Lynn Canal is at least twenty leagues from the ocean, and the head of the White Pass is thirty leagues more." A glance at the map shows that the Lynn Canal is a narrow inlet a long way from the ocean line. Certainly this is a matter that ought to be settled, and the frontier definitely decided.

Great Britain and the United States, by the Washington convention of 1892, arranged for the appointment of an international commission to collect data which would permit of the delimitation of the line. Such a commission was appointed—Mr. W. F. King on behalf of Canada and General Duffield on behalf of the United States—and their joint report was submitted nearly two years ago; but no action looking to the delimitation of the frontier has yet been taken. This is the more remarkable as the wording of the treaty seems to set the matter beyond dispute. Apparently the United States contention is that the boundary act set forth in the treaty cannot be adopted, on the ground that those who framed the instrument knew nothing of the geography of the country with which they were dealing, and the line described is, so far as relates to the coast strip, an impossible line to delimit. But Canada need have no hesitation in resisting any such plea. A treaty is a treaty and its terms must be adhered to. Cousin Jonathan would be the first to insist on it if the advantage lay on his side. As a matter of fact the basis of the United States position is false. Long before Great Britain made the treaty of St. Petersburg, Vancouver had surveyed and mapped the whole coast, and although the United States themselves have in recent years spent a good deal of the time of their experts in making a hydrographic survey of the same ground, they have only succeeded in confirming the accuracy of the famous navigator's work. The purpose of the U. S. contention is, of course, to induce Canada to agree to reopen the whole matter, with a view to some kind of compromise, out of which the U. S. hope to get some advantage as compared with their present position.

It need hardly be said that it is the duty of the Dominion government to stand by the treaty, and, if arbitration is necessary, to agree only to arbitration with respect to the interpretation of its terms. This is one of these occasions when the watchword of the moment is "Britons, hold your own."

BY WAY OF VARIETY.

He—It seems to me that a bashful lover is about the most pitiful object in the world.

She—How about the girl?—Chicago Journal.

How He Won Her—Miss Charmynge—Don't you think I was meant for a business woman?

Jack Hustler—No, I don't. I think you were meant for a business man.—Brooklyn Life.

Mrs. Ginger—How dare you talk to me in that way? I never saw such impudence. And you call yourself a lady's maid, do you?

The Maid—I was a lady's maid before I worked for you, ma'am.

Willie—Ma, can people leave parts of themselves in different places?

Ma—No; don't be ridiculous.

Willie—Well, Mr. Jiggs said he was going to Arizona for his lungs.—Philadelphia Record.

Pennsylvania has an editor who is so conscientious that he credited a poem he had clipped from a rural contemporary, "William Shakespeare in the Lehigh Valley Times."—Kansas City World.

"What I object to," the summer boarder was saying, "is so much horse play in our amusement." "Yes," put in Farmer Corntossel, "that's what I objeck to, too. My boy, Josias, says he lost over 'leven dollars fair week playin' the hosses."—Washington Star.

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DIGBY BELL and Laura Joyce Bell visited Seattle in "The Hoosier Doctor" last Wednesday, but do not reach Victoria until the 8th and 9th of next month.

TEN thousand burros are reported by the Seattle Times to be on their way north to the Skagway trail. From the evidence of returned pilgrims it would appear as if the asinine population of the trail was in danger of being unnecessarily augmented.

ACCORDING to the Interior exchanges a Port Hope man is at the present time making his way into the Rocky Mountains near Peace river, in the expectation of finding a rich gold deposit that he says an Indian told him about, for a consideration. This Indian would appear to have left his trail all the way westward to the Coast from Lake of the Woods. He has a good thing in that gold mine of his.

THE case brought by the Crown against Mrs. Rabbit, of Granite Creek, for the shooting of James Hamilton will not be tried in Kamloops after all, the prosecution having been granted a change of venue to Vernon on the ground that public opinion is so strongly excited in regard to the case at Kamloops that an impartial trial might not be secured. Mrs. Rabbit pleads that she killed Hamilton in the defence of her honor, and the courts will decide on Monday next as to the validity of the defence.

THE first application of the kind under the Water Clauses Act has been made before Mr. Justice Walkem by the Quartz Creek Water Supply Co., Ltd. They are asking for the grant of a water right to 100 inches of Quartz creek for the purpose of supplying water to the town of Ymir. The application for the company has been made by Mr. H. Dallas Helmcken, Q.C., and the hearing has been set for November 8, as by the provisions of the Water Clauses Act the application must be duly advertised so as to give time for any one who may have an objection to granting the petition to appear when the hearing comes on.

ONE of the best evidences of the coming of good times is the steady demand in the city for a good class of dwelling houses. In fact so great is the call for such houses that several of the real estate men say the supply is not equal to the demand, as desirable residences are snapped up in short order. At the same time there are quite a number of empty houses, but they are of the kind mostly that were run up in boom times and have not the convenience and comforts demanded now-a-days. It is quite noticeable that more people are settling in Victoria, and that new life and energy is being felt in all lines of business.

THE New Westminster Columbian contains the following particulars of the recent accident at Brownsville, in which Mrs. R. H. Walker and her little son of this city received serious injuries: "Mrs. Walker, sister of Mr. D. E. McKenzie, of this city, had crossed the river on the 4 o'clock ferry, and was driving, accompanied by a gentleman, in a light buggy along the plank road, intending to go to Cloverdale. A teamster, "Billy" Springer, was driving his heavy team and wood wagon in the same direction, but some distance behind. His furious driving was objected to by his companion, Jim McColl, and Springer, resenting his interference, threw down the reins and started to fight McColl. In the meantime, the horses increased their speed to a gallop, and as they came up with the other vehicle they swerved not a foot, but plunged into it before the lady was fully aware of her danger. The rear axle broke down, and the maddened horses reared and plunged over the lady and the boy, dragging the heavy wagon with them, and then fell in a heap. The carriage was completely wrecked, and the little boy was found beneath one of the horses. His head was between two pieces of the cedar planking and the wheel across his neck. Seeing her boy in this precarious situation, Mrs. Walker endeavored to extricate him, but, in doing so, received three bad kicks on the back of her head. Subsequently, with the aid of pries, the imprisoned boy was released. His injuries could not be determined at the time, as ever since he has remained in a dazed condition. The only marvel is that both were not killed. It is stated that the teamster was the worse for liquor."

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THE Comparative Synoptical Chart Co. has increased its capital stock to $150,000.

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E. E. CHIPMAN, of Kaslo, has been gazetted a justice of the peace for Kootenay.

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THE Canadian Mining Syndicate, Ltd, of Huddersfield, Eng., has been licensed as an extra provincial company, with capital of £50,000.

"THE Enfranchisement of Women" was the chief subject under consideration at yesterday's parlor meeting of the W.C.T.U., held at the hospitable home of Mrs. McNaughton, on the Edmonton road.

Creighton & Co. have just received a large consignment of fall and winter woolens, right direct from Glasgow, and the Scotch tweed suitings now exhibited in their window, are the finest ever shown in the city. The Reliable Tailor, 74 Yates street. x

THE sincerest sympathy of the entire community will go forth to Mr. C. L. Cullin in the grief that has come upon him with such awful suddenness, his wife, to whom he had been united something less than two years, dying yesterday at St. Joseph's hospital as the result of an operation. Her illness was of very brief duration.

A CHINESE sneak thief, supposed to have been identified with a recent robbery at No. 11 Kane street, furnished the only business in the city police court yesterday, his case being adjourned until Monday to enable the police to secure additional evidence. This morning the King-Liddle trouble will again be before Magistrate Macrae.

THE employes of the Province have shown their appreciation of the editor, Mr. A. H. Scaife, who is about to leave for England, by tendering him a dinner, successfully held at the Poodle Dog, and presenting him with a memento in the form of a gold brick weighing an ounce and a half. Mr. Scaife left last night for Westminster and after attending the Liberal convention goes to England for rest and to recover his shattered health.

THE Lumiere Cinematographe, the marvelous picture projecting apparatus, which has been showing in Seattle the past six weeks to crowded houses, will be exhibited here beginning to-day in the New York block, on Yates street, opposite the engine house. Continuous entertainments will be given during the hours of 1 to 5:30 p.m., and 7 to 10 p.m. A feature will be made of the Queen's Jubilee views, which are said to be beautiful and wonderful beyond description. Price of admission 10 cents. x

FREQUENTERS of Beacon Hill park were considerably alarmed yesterday afternoon by an explosion which sounded very like the report of a gun or large revolver. Ald. Hall at once thought of the safety of the swans; the suggestion of dynamiters and the bandstand instantly flashed into the head of the park-keeper; and Denver Ed. Smith promptly counted his bottles of extra dry to see that none of them were wasting their sweetness on the barroom floor. As no second report gained circulation, tranquility was quickly restored and investigation disclosed that the noise had been caused by the bursting of the tire on an ancient bike which an easy-going wheelman had left in the rack, little thinking that it was loaded. It will cost the owner five or six dollars just because that particular tire took the notion to blow itself.

VAN HORST SENTENCED.

He Will Spend a Term in the Penitentiary for His Crimes.

Young George Van Horst has a long weary period to pass in the penitentiary before he again regains his liberty, so that he will have plenty of time to mend his ways, and may become after all a respectable member of society. He came before Mr. Justice Walkem yesterday morning and elected to be tried speedily instead of waiting for the assizes. He pleaded guilty at once to the three charges of housebreaking laid against him and was at once sentenced. For the robbery at the Behnsen house he was given five years in the penitentiary, while sentences of six years were given for the robbery at the Parsons place and at Mr. Seabrook's residence. However, as all the sentences run concurrently and as by exemplary behavior the term can be shortened, Van Horst will probably be able to go free in five years time.

Mr. Justice Walkem in pronouncing sentence gave the lad some excellent advice. While pointing out the enormity of the crimes, and regretting that a lad of nineteen should have to be sent to the penitentiary, the Court hoped that the prisoner would avail himself of the opportunity of learning some useful trade and so be fitted when his sentence should have expired to take a useful place in the world and live as a respectable member of society.

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NOT YELLOW JACK.

The "Iolanthe" Completes a Tedious But Eventful Voyage From Acapulco.

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It was not until yesterday morning's daylight permitted of a rigid examination being made of the British ship Iolanthe that the quarantine authorities at William Head were convinced that they had not made the acquaintance of Yellow Jack himself. They were satisfied, however, and the Iolanthe received her bill of health and reporting herself at the custom house, completed a tedious but eventful voyage. Having been chartered to replace the Lodore and carry salmon to Great Britain on account of Evans, Coleman & Evans, the Iolanthe, a British ship of 1,590 tons, W. Chamberlin master, sailed from Acapulco on August 28 in ballast for Royal Roads. With a light easterly wind, afterwards shifting to north and nor' nor'-west, 262 miles were run off the first day, the second day's mileage being 202 and the third one hundred and fifty. The prevailing winds held until 12.30 N., 117 W., when a strong blow from the southwest carried the ship to 22 N. and 126 W. Here Jacob Holmes, an able seaman, died of liver trouble, which also confined the mate to his berth during the greater part of the voyage. The North East trades were caught in the same latitude, and continued very light to 140 W., 35 N., whence moderate southwest winds carried the ship to land. Cape Flattery was made on the 26th September, and from that date until Tuesday last light easterly winds and thick fog practically brought the Iolanthe to a standstill. Steam was got on Wednesday, the ship towing into Royal Roads with the American tug Sea Lion that evening. The malaria, which had played havoc with the crew all the way up, spoke for itself to the quarantine officers, and to make sure that it was not yellow fever on board, Dr. Watt held the vessel for daylight inspection—a thorough examination yesterday convincing him that the Iolanthe was not a plague ship. She will now go up to the Fraser to receive her salmon cargo.

THE CORONA'S COMING INDEFINITE.

According to the California papers there is yet nothing definite in regard to the coming north of the steamer Corona—announced to sail from Victoria last Wednesday—to replace the wrecked Mexico and fill in the void caused by the retirement of the Queen which recently concluded her summer Alaska excursion schedule. One exchange says the Queen will take the place of the Corona for the present on the run to San Pedro, starting on October 11. The Corona will take the place of the Pomona as soon as she is relieved, allowing that vessel a chance to undergo an overhauling. When the Pomona is in running order again the Corona will go on the Alaska route in place of the Willamette, now running under charter to the company.

THE FOREIGN FLEET.

Among the foreign vessels now en route to British Columbia ports are the Adelaide, a Vancouver salmon charter from Callao; the Allonby and the Benicia from Liverpool, the former with general cargo for R. P. Rithet & Co., Ltd.; the Irvine from Macassar, to load salmon; the old Wrestler, from Iquiqui, for lumber; the Ville de Redon, from Punta Arena, and the City of Hankow from Rio de Janeiro; the Pass of Killecrankie, with sugar for the Vancouver refinery; and the Swedish ship Adelaide from Santos, for H. Bell-Irving & Co. It is more than a possibility that the two Adelaides—one a German ship of 1281 tons and the other a Swedish bark registered at 495—will be in together, with the Port Adelaide to keep them company.

ALASKA'S SALMON PACK.

The United States fish commission steamer Albatross paid Victoria a call yesterday, en route down from the North with Professor Alexander, an American expert who has been making a season's study of the salmon conditions of Alaska. He estimates the present year's pack there at something less than 1,000,000 cases, this being a decidedly "off" year.

SIX "NEVARCH" MEN ARE SAVED.

Six of the crew of the lost whaling bark Nevarch have been picked up and are now on board the whaling bark Charles W. Morgan. The names of the rescued men are not known. Twenty-two men are still missing, and it is feared that they have perished, as they could not have survived long after they were separated from their ship. The Nevarch is the vessel that was crushed in the ice some months ago. Captain Whiteside, his wife, and several of the whaler's crew were picked up by the revenue cutter Bear and brought to St. Michael's, whence they afterwards came to the Sound. The Charles W. Morgan belongs in San Francisco. It is probable that a revenue cutter will be instructed to take a visit to the whaling fleet and bring the shipwrecked men to Onalaska.

MARINE NOTES.

The rickety old steamer Eliza Anderson is now at Ounalaska, where she has been condemned as unseaworthy—as she should have been before she started North. Sailors express surprise that the vessel ever reached Dutch Harbor. The authorities and the ship's engineers pronounced the vessel unsafe to go to sea, and it is a question whether she will ever be permitted to leave port again. The Anderson's passengers are on their way to St. Michael's in a sailing vessel.

Capt. Nickerson, of the government steamer Earle, gives a contradiction to the report that he was to be succeeded in the command of the quarantine steamer. He is still at the wheel, he says, and not contemplating pilot duty for the present at least.

The 1380 ton British ship Agnes Oswald, Capt. Nichol, is now 112 days out from New London for this port. She is bringing in the general cargo which left England in the Pass of Balmaha, that vessel having come to grief in the Falkland islands.

After a long period of inactivity the old reliable steamer Barbara Boscowitz cleared once again for the North yesterday. She is now more habitable and in better running condition than she has been for some time past.

The steamer Dora, in consequence of the awakened interest in Copper river mines, will make still another trip to Prince William Sound from Sitka, leaving the Alaska capital about November 10.

The boiler-makers at present have command of the steamer Constance, repairs to her machinery that have been contemplated for some time past now being in progress.

The Mystery arrived back in port yesterday from Alert Bay, where she has been employed during the season in connection with S. A. Spencer's cannery.

The steam freighter Oscar arrived in from Tacoma yesterday. She had taken over gun and blasting powders, and brought back a cargo of coal oil and naphtha.

British ship Senator and British bark Port Adelaide are on their way here from Delagoa Bay, it is presumed for return cargoes of lumber.

British ship City of Caithneiss, 1636 tons, 100 A1, is en route to Royal Roads from Colombo, Ceylon, seeking engagement.

The little missionary steamer Glad Tidings got away for the North yesterday with Rev. Thomas Crosby in command.

Dodwell, Carlill & Co.'s steamer Pelican has arrived on the Sound to load ties for use in Chinese railway building.

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" Czar	"	"
" Lottie	"	Cordova Bay.
" Daisy	"	Chemainus.
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" Mischief	"	Sooke.
Slp Frances	"	Salt Spring I'd.

SEALS AS FENCE-JUMPERS.

Professor Jordan's Ingenuity Not Equal to That of the Seals.

A few years ago Professor David Starr Jordan of California was regarded all along the coast as a representative man of science, whose views were everywhere entitled to serious attention. Since he has devoted himself more particularly to seals and sealing, and made his science a plaything in connection therewith, he has become the laughing stock of practical sealing men, and scarce a vessel of the sealing fleet comes home now without some joke of its own connected with the Professor. Yesterday there were five arrivals from sea, and each had the consolation that "a few stragglers got through Jordan's picket fence."

For, nonsensical as it seems, the Professor has actually attempted to fence in the wild seals of the sea, by enclosing one of two of the Pribyloff lagoons. To do this involved considerable work, but the seals apparently find it no labor at all to climb over—hence the standing joke of the hour.

Yesterday's arrivals were the Ocean Belle, Captain Rupert Cox, with 792 Behring sea skins, or a catch of 959 for the season; the Umbrina with 811 Japanese coast skins, and 197 from the sea; the Annie E. Paint with a total of 1,298—Japanese coast, 886; Copper island, 15; and Behring sea, 397—the City of San Diego, Captain D. Martin, with 450 pelts from Behring sea; and the Borealis, with 312 for the sea, or 650 for the season.

Each of the returning sealers bears out to a greater or less extent the reports that the branding operations promise to depopulate the Pribyloff rookeries, to the advantage of the northernmost islands of Japan. In reply to Professor Jordan's statement that "it is nonsense to speak of the branding driving the seal away," the sealers reply:

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Downing, the Crack, Does Some Speedy Work at the 'Frisco Velodrome Races.

Basketball and Football Teams Getting Down to Work—Saturday Practices.

In the first races of the season at the San Francisco Velodrome, Downing was the hero among the professional cracks and again demonstrated that he is, unquestionably, the best man on the Coast on the small tracks. Where good generalship counted, as well as speed, he was always in the right place at the right time and, as a result, caused his old rival, Jones, and Sharick, the Northern champion, to suffer the humiliation of gazing at his rear wheel four times during the afternoon. The San Jose lad not only won both professional races, but won his heats as well, never once being headed over the tape during the entire meet. As was expected, Sharick did not ride up to his usual form. He has always been accustomed to a larger track and to beating out his fields in the home stretch. As he found out to his sorrow, this cannot be accomplished upon short tracks like the Velodrome. In the amateur events Wing started the ball rolling by cleverly capturing the first race, a mile handicap, from scratch. George Fuller, the other Olympic crack, finished a close second, after being caught in a bad pocket until the home stretch was reached. The other amateur event, a third-mile scratch, went to Russ, also of the Olympic club. The record trials of Sydney Vincent caused considerable interest, especially the five-mile event, the intricate pacing arrangements pleasing the big crowd immensely. Vincent's first trial was against the mile record, but he fell away short of this on account of the poor work of his second pacing team. His time in this was 1:59, which was lowered in the first mile of the five miles to 1:53. In the latter event he lowered the Coast records from one mile up, the mile being held by Kenna of the Bay City Wheelmen, and all the other marks by Mussey of Los Angeles. Vincent brought the five miles down from 11:33 to 10:17, the world's amateur record being 9:54, made at Denver.

TRY AGAIN THIS EVENING.

Through the misunderstanding as to time and place the V.W.C. polo novices failed to muster yesterday as originally intended. All who care to try the game are invited to meet at five this afternoon at the band stand, when the effort will be made to get a good practice.

THE MILE PACED RECORD.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Oct. 7.—Jimmie Michael to-day on the Willow Grove track lowered the mile paced bicycle record 2 1-5 seconds, making the distance in 1:36. McDuffie, of Boston, held the previous record of 1:38 1-5.

TWO-THIRDS OF A MILE.

CINCINNATI, Oct. 7.—Harry Sidwell, of Covington, Ky., broke the world's amateur bicycling record for two-thirds of a mile in a race against time on the Chester Park track to-day. The former record was held by Amos B. Hughes, of Denver, 1.14½. Sidwell's time was 1.09¾. Sidwell was paced by a quad.

FOOTBALL.

ASSOCIATION RUGBY TEAM.

The Rugby club of the Y.M.C.A. have elected their officers for the coming season: Captain, A. Reid; vice-captain, W. Peden; committee, C. McNeill, L. Campbell and J. Hemsworth. The prospect for players is very good, several new members having signified their intention of joining. The club will commence practice next week.

JUNIOR LEAGUE GAME.

The second game in the junior cup series will be played at Beacon Hill this afternoon, commencing at 3:30 sharp. The game, which is between the High School and the Columbia Juniors, will undoubtedly be a fast one and draw a good crowd. The High School team is as follows: Goal, T. Brooker; backs, Netherby and Thompson; half-backs, Andrews, Walker and McMorran; forwards, R. Powell, T. Cessford, N. O'Brian, Louis Borde and F. Bone; reserves, K. Hughes and C. Coats; colors—white. The Columbia's team which will play in red and white is made up of several good junior players, and will give the High School all they can do to hold their own, as they have been putting in faithful practice. The names are: Henry Turner, Harry Lawson, James Wilson, Fred. McKitrick, Albert Ward, Ray Elford, Arthus Patton, Clent Cameron, Robert Fell, John Sharples and B. Wilson. Extras, Wilmot and Patton.

Y. M. C. A. CLUB.

There will be a general practice of the Y.M.C.A. at Beacon Hill to-morrow afternoon, commencing at 2:03.

A FIFTH REGIMENT BATTLE.

Besides the Victoria club practice game there will be another captain and vice-captain team match at the Hill to-morrow, the players being members of the Fifth Regiment club. The composition of the opposing forces will be:

Vice-Captain,		*Captain.*
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WHIST.

THE BAYS TOURNAMENT.

The J.B.A.A. held their first whist tournament of the season last night and had a very encouraging number of entries for what promises to be an even more ineeresting series than last year. There were seven tables going, the president, Mr. H. Dallas Helmcken, opening the tournament by a preliminary game. During the evening the competitors met with a happy surprise when they found after play had ceased that Mrs. H. Dallas Helmcken and the Misses Goodwin had thoughfully provided and spread a very nice supper in the reading room to refresh the weary players. The Bays showed their appreciation by passing unanimously a vote of thanks, moved by Mr. A. J. Dallain, to the ladies for their kindness.

The result of the first night's play was that Mr. A. C. Anderson won the first prize with 10 won and 1 lost. Mr. F. J. Hutcheson proudly bore away the booby prize with the unparalleled record of 9 lost and 2 won. Mr. J. A. Clarke gave Mr. Hutcheson a hard rub for this prize, which was only decided by a cut of the cards. Mrs. Helmcken kindly presented the prizes to the successful competitors.

BASKET BALL.

Y.M.C.A. TEAM ORGANIZED.

The Y.M.C.A. basket ball team has been organized, and is now ready for business. The following officers have been elected: Captain, Walter Wrigleswortb; vice-captain, W. Peden; committee, C. W. Wilson, J. Hemsworth and W. Kinsman. The club will enter at least two teams in the league which is to be formed shortly. The first practice will be held next week.

GOLF.

AUTUMN FIXTURES.

The first monthly medal competition for the gentlemen players of the Victoria Golf Club is arranged for Saturday, October 23, and the ladies' competition for the day previous (Friday). The fourth annual autumn meeting has been arranged to be held on the 5th and 6th November, Friday being reserved for the ladies and Saturday for the gentlemen players. The following events have been decided upon:

Ladies—Open event, club handicap and mixed foursomes.

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All competitions are open only to those members of the Victoria Golf Club who are entitled to full membership. Further particulars will be duly announced.

THE TURF.

A SALEM FAVORITE COMING.

Tanner, who belongs in the Salem stable and who carried all before him at Medford, Oregon, last week, will be here next Monday to finish his preparation for the autumn races at the Driving Park on the 15th and 16th of this month.

BOXING.

HILL GETS THE VERDICT.

Young Colvin Hill, of Victoria, proved himself to be a lightweight of far more than average ability last night by besting Hanrahan of H. M. S. Amphion in three rounds. The contest was at Jack Hayes' athletic club before over a hundred spectators of very different walks in life. The chief gladiators took their places after a three round exhibition between Lidstone of H. M. S. Pheasant and Davidson of this city. Hill stripped at 115, while Hanrahan, who had several inches the advantage in height, was at 122. Denver Ed. Smith, of the Colonist hotel, who has forgotten more about glove contests than most people ever knew, acted as referee. The mill was to have been for ten rounds, but three were enough to settle it, and Hill was declared victor. From the points made it was easy to see that Hanrahan was quite outclassed.

GODDARD ARRIVES.

BOSTON, Oct. 7.—Joe Goddard, the Australian heavyweight, who is matched to box Tom Sharkey, of San Francisco, next month, arrived in this city this morning from England on the steamer Canada. He is a strapping young man, six feet in height, and weighs about 206 pounds.

THE GUN.

QUICK WORK.

Contrary to general expectations the game, both feathered and four-footed, is this year proving rather better than usual. Out at Cadboro Bay yesterday morning, almost within sight of the city, Mr. Fred. Quick within two hours secured two handsome bucks—either one of which would be fair recompense for a hard day's tramp.

A FAVORITE PASSED AWAY.

Many a man who has had the pleasure of shooting over George Denny's prize English setter bitch Champion Bess will learn with real regret that this fine and in a measure famous dog will follow the gun no more. At Shawnigan lake, on Wednesday, the setter and the railway train met in collision, and the train alone survived. Mr. Denny naturally feels the loss of his favorite keenly, while by her death the approaching bench show loses one exhibit that would have been sure of a prize-winner's place.

THE REFUGE HOME WINS.

Shing Kow's Attempt to Regain Possession of Quai Shing Fails.

Mr. Justice Walkem decided yesterday that he would not order Miss Bowes, superintendent of tne Refuge Home, to hand over to Shing Kow the little Chinese girl Quai Shing, whose custody has formed the centre of the habeas corpus proceedings that have been in progress for the past few weeks. The trouble originated in Vancouver, when the Refuge Home people obtained possession of the girl and sent her over to Victoria to be looked after. Shing Kow, whose household the girl had left, immediately instituted habeas corpus proceedings on the ground that he was the proper guardian of the child, as she had been given over to his care by her uncle six years ago. The Refuge Home people through Miss Bowes opposed these proceedings, holding that the girl was really a slave in Shing Kow's household.

The legal fight has been going on before Mr. Justice Walkem, Mr. F. B. Gregory acting for the Home and Mr. H. Dallas Helmcken, Q.C., for Shing Kow.

Yesterday Mr. Justice Walkem gave his decision, stating that he dismissed Shing Kow's application on the ground that the court could not order the girl to be taken from one unwarranted custody and handed over to another. He had himself taken the opportunity to examine the girl, who is now twelve years of age, and she expressed herself as willing and anxious to remain at the Home, saying that she liked Miss Bowes and Miss Bowes liked her. The application was therefore refused, but without costs.

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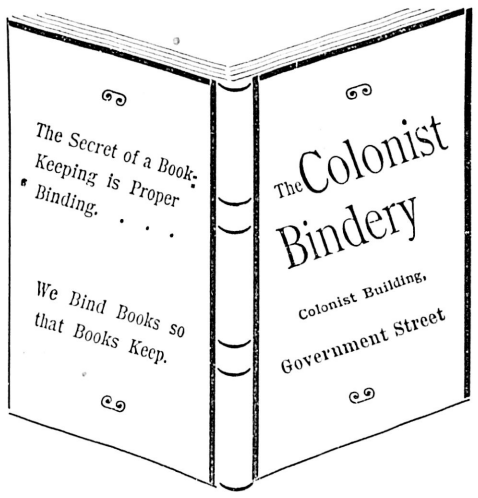

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Dated 13th day of September, A. D. 1897.

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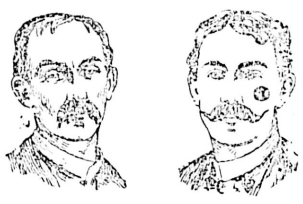

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TWIN ROSES.

In a distant, verdant valley,
By a lazy, limped tide,
'Mid the birds and trees and sunshine,
Grew two roses, side by side.

One was kept by a maiden fair,
The other she gave to her lover there,
As they plighted their troth one day.

One gleamed white on a corselet bright,
As a knight rode away in the morning light
To join his king in the fray.

The other drooped its snowy head
At the fear and grief its mistress knew.
She kissed its petals and murmured low,
"I fear, I fear—I love him so."

She saw fair summer with heated breath
Die in the flush of a hectic death.

She heard the wild geese rise and cry
Adown the glaring southern sky.

Yet never home her lover came—
Slowly died her hope's bright flame.

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In a distant, verdant valley,
By a lazy, limped stream,
Blooms a rose above a grave,
One white rose, in the sunlight's gleam.
—Cornell Era.

A PATRIOT'S WIFE.

One warm morning in the spring of 1780 Mrs. Slocumb was sitting on the broad piazza about her home on a large plantation in South Carolina. Her husband and many of his neighbors were with Sumter, fighting for the struggling colonies, but on this beautiful morning there were almost no signs of war to be seen. As yet his plantation had not been molested, and as Mrs. Slocumb glanced at her little child playing near her or spoke to her sister, who was her companion, or addressed a word to the servants there was no alarm manifest. But in a moment the entire scene was changed.

"There come some soldiers," said her sister, pointing toward an officer and 20 troopers who turned out of the highway and entered the yard.

Mrs. Slocumb made no reply, although her face became pale and there was a tightening of the lips as she watched the men. Her fears were not allayed when she became satisfied that the leader was none other than the hated Colonel Tarleton. That short, thick-set body, dressed in a gorgeous scarlet uniform, the florid face and cruel expression, proclaimed the approaching officer only too well. But the mistress gave no sign of fear as she arose to listen to the words of the leader, who soon drew his horse to a halt before her.

Raising his cap and bowing to his horse's neck, he said, "Have I the pleasure of addressing the mistress of this plantation?"

"It is my husband's."

"And is he here?"

"He is not."

"He is no rebel, is he?"

"No, sir. He is a soldier in the army of his country and fighting her invaders."

"He must be a rebel and no friend of his country if he fights against his king."

"Only slaves have masters here," replied the undaunted woman.

Tarleton's face flushed, but he made no reply, and, turning to one of his companions, gave orders for a camp to be made in the orchard near by. Soon the 1,100 men in his command had pitched their tents, and the peaceful plantation took on the garb of war.

Returning to the piazza and again bowing low the British colonel said: "Necessity compels his majesty's troops to occupy your place for a time, and I will have to make my quarters in your house; that is, if it will not be too great an inconvenience to you."

"My family consists at present of only myself, my child and sister, besides the servants, and we must obey your orders."

In less than an hour the entire place was transformed. The white tents covered the lawn, horses were tied to the high rail fences, soldiers in bright uniforms were moving here and there. Before entering the house the British colonel called some of his officers and gave sharp orders for scouring the country within the neighborhood of 10 or 15 miles.

This sharp command was not lost upon Mrs. Slocumb, nor was she slow to act upon it herself, as we soon shall see. But for the present, trying to stifle her fears, she determined to make the best of the situation and avert all the danger possible by providing for the comfort of Tarleton and his men, and accordingly she had a dinner soon ready fit for a king, and surely far too good for such a cruel and bloodthirsty man as Tarleton soon was known to be.

When the colonel and his staff were summoned to the dining room, they sat down to a table which fairly groaned beneath the good things heaped upon it. It was such a dinner as only the South Carolina matrons knew how to prepare, and the men soon became jovial under its influences. "We shall have few sober men by morning," said a captain, "if this is the way we are to be treated. I suppose when this little war is over all this country will be divided among the soldiers. Eh, colonel?"

"Undoubtedly the officers will occupy large portions of the country," replied Tarleton.

"Yes, I know just how much they will each occupy," said Mrs. Slocumb, unable to maintain silence longer.

"And how much will that be, madam?" inquired Tarleton, bowing low.

"Six feet two."

The colonel's face again flushed with anger as he replied, "Excuse me, but I shall endeavor to have this very plantation made over to me as a ducal seat."

"I have a husband, whom you seem to forget, and I can assure you he is not the man to allow even the king himself to have a quiet seat on his ground."

But the conversation suddenly was interrupted by the sounds of firing.

"Some straggling scout running away," said one of the men, not quite willing to leave the table.

"No, sir. There are rifles there, and a good many of them, too," said Tarleton, rising quickly and rushing to the piazza, an example which all, including Mrs. Slocumb, at once followed. She was trembling now, for she felt assured that she could explain the cause of the commotion.

"May I ask, madam," said Tarleton, turning to her as soon as he had given his orders for the action of the troops, "whether any of Washington's forces are in this neighborhood or not?"

"You must know that General Green and the marquis are in South Carolina, and I have no doubt you would be pleased to see Lee once more. He shook your hand very warmly the last time he met you, I am told."

An oath escaped the angry colonel's lips, and he glanced for a moment at the scar which the wound Lee had made had left on his hand, but he turned abruptly and ordered the troops to form on the right, and he dashed down the lawn.

A shout and the sound of firearms drew the attention of Mrs. Slocumb to the long avenue that led to the house. A cry escaped her at the sight, for there was her husband, followed by two of her neighbors, pursuing on horseback a band of five Tories whom Tarleton had sent to scour the country.

On and on they came, and it was evident that the pursuers were too busy to have noticed the army of Tarleton. Broadswords and various kinds of weapons were flashing in the air, and it was plain that the enraged Slocumb saw nothing but the Tories he was pursuing. Could nothing be done? Would they run into the very heart of the camp? Mrs. Slocumb tried to scream and warn her husband, but not a sound could she make. One of the Tories had just fallen, when she saw her husband's horse suddenly stop and swerve to one side. What was the cause?

Sambo, the slave whom Mrs. Slocumb had dispatched, as soon as Tarleton had come, to warn her husband, had started promptly on his errand, but the bright coats of the British had so charmed him that he had lingered about the place, and when the sound of the guns was heard Sambo had gone only as far as the hedgerow that lined the avenue. Discretion became the better part of valor then, and the negro in his fear had crawled beneath it for shelter, but when his frightened face beheld his master approaching he had mustered courage enough to crawl forth from his hiding place and startle the horses as they passed.

"Hol on, massa! Hol on!" he shouted.

Recognizing the voice, Slocumb and his followers for the first time stopped and glanced about them. Off to their left were 1,000 men within pistol shot. As they wheeled their horses they saw a body of horsemen leaping the hedge and already in their rear. Quickly wheeling again they started directly for the house, near which the guard had been stationed. On they swept, and, leaping the fence of lath about the garden patch amid a shower of bullets they scarted through the open lots. Another shower of bullets fell about them as their horses leaped the broad brook, or canal, as it was called, and then almost before the guard had cleared the fences they had gained the shelter of the woods beyond and were safe.

The chagrin of the British Tarleton was as great as the relief of Mrs. Slocumb, and when on the following day the troops moved on the cordial adieu of the hostess led the colonel to say: "The British are not robbers, madam. We shall pay you for all we have taken."

"I am so rejoiced at what you have not taken that I shall not complain if I do not hear from you again," she replied.

And she neither heard nor complained.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Sacred Threads and Cords.

The sacred thread of the Brahmans is well known. It is a caste distinction assumed at an early age and never parted with. It must be made by a Brahman and should consist of three strands, each of a different color, 48 yards in length, doubled and twisted together twice, the ends tied in knots. It must be worn next the skin, over the left shoulder, hanging down to the thigh on the right side. The three castes of the Hindoos are distinguished by the material of these threads—cotton for the Brahmans, hemp for the warriors and wool for the artisans. The Parsees also wear the sacred thread, and boys of 7 or 9 are invested with it, the threads used being made always of fibers of the suru tree. Monier Williams describes the sacred girdle of the Parsees as made of 72 woolen threads, forming a flat band, which is twined three times around the body and tied in two peculiar knots, the secret of which is known only to the Parsees.

The use of "medicine cords" is common among North American Indians. Mr. Bourke describes those worn by the Apaches. These consist of one, two, three and four strands, to which are attached shells, feathers, beads, rock crystal, sacred green stones and other articles, doubtless employed symbolically. —Chambers' Journal.

Where Prisons Are Untenanted.

The inhabitants of Iceland are commended as the most honest people out Cases of theft are almost unknown to them, and a murder does not happen in a generation. There is only one policeman on the island, who spends six months of the year in the north and the rest of the time in Reykjavik, where the only jail is located. According to the islanders, this prison is a magnificent building, in that it is built of stone, and they think it is a direct invitation to wrongdoing, as an inmate of the prison lives in a nice room, enjoys the privilege of reposing on a real bed and eating bread at meals, luxuries which an ordinary Icelander scarcely ever has the opportunity of indulging in. In spite of all these temptations the Reykjavik prison is nearly always empty.—Prisons Service Gazette.

THE ROYAL CITY FAIR.

An Exhibit of Fruit That Makes All Beholders Proud of Their Province.

Profitable Enterprises for Farmers Suggested by the Display of Vegetables.

NEW WESTMINSTER, Oct. 7.—(Special)—This was a beautiful summer day, and there was an enormous throng at the fair. It was the children's day, and the procession from the city and singing on the ground were the features of the morning. In the afternoon there was a parade of the prize animals, and the bicycle races also took place. The Farmers' League meeting was a failure, through lack of attendance.

What strikes the attention of a visitor to the fair more than anything else is the very remarkable display of fruit. In quantity, variety and quality it would be hard to equal. Naturally, apples occupy the most prominent place, but there is a fine showing of pears; while prunes, plums, peaches and grapes complete the list. The appples attract the eye by their size and the brightness of their coloring, the latter being due to the exceptional freedom of August and September from smoke. At most exhibitions of fruit, small lots of apples can be seen that are equal to anything shown here; but it is doubtful if in any part of the continent so large a display so uniformly good could be got together. The quality is excellent, the flesh being firm and the flavor fine, that is the peculiar qualities of the several varieties are well marked. In some the flavor seems better than in Eastern fruit of the same varieties, in a few it is not quite so pronounced, but on the whole the average is higher, quality for quality, than the average of Eastern grown fruit. In point of size and productiveness British Columbia apples are entitled to the very highest rank. It is to be borne in mind that our orchards are for the most part only the result of a few years' growth. As yet they are hardly at their best, and in view of this the results that have been attained are in the highest degree creditable to the individual orchardists and to the Fruit Growers' Association. The promise of the future is very flattering.

Mr. R. M. Palmer is to be found in constant attendance in the fruit department ready to impart information to visitors. He has favored the COLONIST with this list of the apples, which he thinks can be cultivated in the province with the greatest advantage:

Summer apples—Yellow Transparent, Lord Suffield.

Fall apples—Duchess of Oldenburgh, Maiden's Blush, Blenheim Orange, Wealthy, Ribston Pippin, King of Tompkins County.

Winter apples—Grimes' Golden, York Imperial, Sutton Beauty, Reinette du Canada.

The last he recommends especially for cultivation on the islands. Persons who prefer sweet baking apples will find the Barley Sweet and the Talman Sweet equal to any both in yield and quality.

It is past the season for Bartlett pears, and consequently those that are shown, having been taken out of cold storage, are not very tempting to look at, although they are of fine size and evidently when at their best were luscious. There are, however, a goodly number of excellent late shipping pears, which in size and quality are far superior to anything brought from the South. Mr. Palmer recommends as most desirable for cultivation as shipping pears the Bussock, Louise Bonne de Jersey, and Beurre Clairgeau. These are large fruits of delicate flavor, and will stand shipping very well.

The peaches and plums are mostly out of cold storage and do not present nearly so attractive an appearance as they would have done if picked fresh from the trees. They testify by their size and general appearance that the province can furnish any quantity of these fruits. There are some late plums and prunes that are excellent.

A small but admirable exhibit of grapes is shown by Mr. T. G. Earl of Lytton. There are several varieties, among them being Magaras, Concords and Delawares. They were grown in the open as in California. The clusters are large and splendidly filled and the flavor is perfect.

Mr. Earl favored the COLONIST with some observations on fruit culture in British Columbia, on which subject he is an enthusiast, as he well may be. He says there is a very large area where fruit can be grown to perfection. He spoke particularly of the country around Lytton, parts of Lillooett, the Okanagan, the Similkameen and the Spallumcheen valleys. He believes that the province will soon be in a position not only to supply the home market but to ship hundreds of thousands of dollars' worth East every year. The great obstacle now in the way of the proper development of the fruit business is the freight charges on the C.P.R., which are almost prohibitive. If these charges were made more moderate, Mr. Earl believes an enormous fruit business would be very soon developed.

FIELD CROPS.

Scarcely second to the fruits in excellence is the display of root crops. Of potatoes there are a few very large samples such as one always sees at fairs, but the best part of the display of these tubers are the moderately sized table varieties, which, judged from appearances, are equal to any grown in any country. The rutabagas are enormous and the mangold wurtzels are mammoths. Mr. Cunningham, pointing to a fine sample of rutabagas, said he had grown 65 tons to the acre. This suggested the query as to why it would not pay the farmers of the lower Fraser to fatten cattle on hay and turnips, and led to the reply from several farmers that there was no reason in the world why this should not become a large and profitable industry. There are some very excellent exhibits of sugar beets, from the Delta, which are shown by actual test to yield from 12½ to 14 per cent. of sugar. Why in view of this and of the fact that 60 tons of the beets can be grown to the acre it might not be well to investigate the production of beet sugar in this province is a matter worthy of consideration. The display of table vegetables, notably carrots and parsnips, is very good. The onions are not particularly good. The tomatoes are not large but are well ripened. It is said that hundreds of tons have been wasted in the interior because it did not pay to ship them out at present rates of transportation. Some very good samples of corn are shown, indicating that it is possible to produce corn here for canning purposes. The grain display is not particularly strong. One farmer said that possibly the enormous quantity of the yield this year might account for the fact that the individual grains were not specially heavy. On the whole the display of field crops is admirable, and the visitor to this part of the exhibition cannot fail to be impressed with the agricultural capabilities of British Columbia.

THE CITY.

AT the lecture to be given by Mr. J. A. Hall, M. Sc., on the history of chemistry at St. James' hall, on Tuesday evening, members of the Arion Club and other musical talent of the city will assist.

TENDERS are called for supplying beef, vegetables and soft bread to H.M.S. ships at Comox for the ensuing year, and also for certain supplies that may be required at Vancouver during the same period.

J. M. Macoun, of the geographical survey, who spent three summers in Behring sea engaged in the study of seal life, has been appointed to accompany the Minister of Marine and Fisheries to Washington, D.C., to attend the November conference in reference to seal preservation.

Dr. W. J. Quinlan left last night for Nelson, where he will in future practice his profession. In leaving Victoria he takes with him the good wishes of all who knew him, and especially among the Masonic fraternity will he be missed, as he was one of the most energetic of the Grand lodge officers.

The honeymoon appears never to have set over the New England hotel—at all events a day seldom passes that it is not the home of one or more just-married couples. Among the latest of these to register are A. J. Laidlaw and his bride, and George Gaskell and his newly made wife. Both couples came from the Mainland Wednesday evening.

PERSONAL.

Dr. Ernest Hall is visiting the Royal City.

G. Y. Sturvetant, Spokane, is a guest at the Wilson.

T. J. Hanrahan, Sacramento, is registered at the Oriental.

R. S. Henderson, of Duncan, is registered at the Dominion.

A. G. Rockwell and wife, Tacoma, are registered at the Wilson.

E. Mohun, C.E., came over from Vancouver yesterday evening.

Ernest Smith, London, is among the arrivals at the New England.

Geo. Powell and wife, London, England, are at the Hotel Wilson.

G. de Veber and wife, of St. John, N.B., are guests at the Oriental.

E. A. Wadhame, the well known salmon canner, is at the Driard.

His Worship Mayor Redfern returned from the Royal City last evening.

R. L. Patterson, manager of Miller & Richard, Toronto, is at the Driard.

Johann Wulffsohn, German consul at Vancouver, is registered at the Driard.

Murray Thain and J. B. Lovell were passengers inward by last night's Islander.

A. B. Erskine of this city was a guest at the Balmoral hotel, Montreal, on the 1st instant.

Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Bartrum, Essex, England, are among those registered at the Driard.

H. M. Ritner and W. H. Heath, two mining men of Fairview, are guests at the Dominion.

W. Blakemore, M.E., of Glace Bay, and A. Lonsdale, of London, Eng., are guests at the Oriental.

R. E. Brown and F. E. Riffle have returned to Spokane after an extended stay in Victoria.

K. K. Peiser and wife were passengers from the Sound by the morning steamer yesterday.

Robert Jamieson and Dr. G. L. Milne were among the passengers home from the Mainland last night.

T. W. Paterson, of the Victoria and Sidney railway, has returned from a business visit to the Mainland.

Walter Oakes, of the Puget Sound & Alaska SS. Co., came over from Tacoma by yesterday's Kingston and is at the Driard.

H. M. Stramberg, of New Westminster, is at the New England. So also are Henry Harris and G. H. Hardie of Vancouver.

Lieutenant-Governor and Mrs. Dewdney returned last night from Westminster, where they were attending the big fair.

Mr. E. Hunt and Miss J. Hunt, of Fort Rupert, arrived on the steamship Mystery yesterday, and are registered at the Occidental.

G. B. Harris, Mrs. and Miss Harris, of London, Ontario, are at the Driard. They are on their way East after a trip round the world.

Among the recent arrivals registered at the Queen's are: Rev. D. Holmes, Duncan; L. L. Magums, New York; L. Aschmer, New York; O. F. Washborn, Boston, Mass.; Max Kesshemer, Boston, Mass.; Thos. Cummings, Seattle, Wash.

Pain in the Back.

Mr. M. P. Halpin, Brockville, Ont., makes a statement as follows: "For two years I suffered from kidney trouble, causing severe pains across my back, dizziness, headache, sleeplessness, etc. I had often to lean on the counter when serving a customer, so intense was the pain in my back. On taking Doane's Liver Pills I improved from the very first, and now, after using three boxes, am all right; all my pains, aches and dizziness having disappeared, thanks to Doan's Pills."

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1 p.m..	58·		1 p.m.—4 S.
5 p.m..	53·	Lowest 42·	9 p.m.—Calm.
9 p.m..	46·		Rain .00. Clear. Sunshine—10h. 6m.

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On the Back

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Per steamer ISLANDER from Vancouver—Lieut-Gov Dewdney and Mrs Dewdney, J Thomson and wife, R Jamieson, Dr Milne, E A Wadham, W M Rice, F V Austin, E Mohun, Miss M Morrison, J R Brown, A F Perks, G B Harris, Mrs Harris, Miss Harris, R Harris, Ben Wehrfritz, W R Sullivan, Murray Thain, Consul Wollfsohn, A North, Jack Smith, Geo Ramsay, H Martin, Alex Harris, P O'Brien, M McCabe, J Thorne, Mrs P Jameson, J R McNeill, Mrs McNeill, Miss McNeill, Geo Merton, E Clay, Mrs McCrea, Officer Walker, Geo Clark, Mrs Greaves, L McMillan, Mrs Langley, J B Lovell, Dr E Bartrum, J R Edwards, E O Smith, Jno Ker, R L Patterson, Robt Barker, O M Oliver and C E Redfern.

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ELSDEN—At the Jubilee Hospital, Victoria, B. C. on Tuesday, 5th October, Captain Thomas Abraham Elsden of Monavale, Lake District, aged 57 years.

Funeral will leave Story's undertaking rooms, Johnson street, on Friday, 8th inst., at 1:30 p.m., and Christ Church Cathedral at 1:45.

Friends are respectfully invited to attend.

CULLIN—In this city on the 7th inst., at St Joseph's hospital, Sara, the beloved wife of Chas. L. Cullin.

The funeral will take place from the family residence, 114 Superior street, on Sunday, October 10th, at 2:30 p.m.

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WHAT THE PEOPLE SAY

A Suggestion as to How Victoria's Outfitters May Reach the British Public.

How Capital Has Been Wasted in Some of the Australian Mines.

TO THE EDITOR:—In your issue of yesterday, W. T. Cooksley writes of his impressions when visiting Toronto and Ottawa Expositions regarding the work done so far by Victorians to advertise our city as an outfitting point for the Klondyke regions. Without any doubt the laxity so far shown is lamentable. I have this morning received a communication from England asking for definite information, and the writer adds, that from notices he has seen in the English press the ports and cities of British Columbia are entirely unmentioned, while the towns of the Sound are given prominence; therefore the English public are ignorant that any provincial outfitting points exist, further he states that he has noticed this in a prominent paper like the Standard. Now surely it is time our merchants awake and bestir themselves to counteract these influences so damaging to their trade.

Of my own knowledge I can say that a letter written by a visitor to Victoria, one well known and whose writings carry much weight, is already on its way to England for publication in the Westminster Gazette; if our somnolency is so apparent to a visitor having no business interest here, must it not indeed be excessive.

I would suggest that the board of trade take up this matter in earnest and not rest satisfied with an advertisement in your valuable paper containing the bold statement that the Klondyke gold fields are in Canada. In the first instance it is important that a live business man be sent at once to England for the purpose of interviewing intending emigrants at all available points of departure. Further, I would suggest that the scheme as mapped out by the B.C. and Yukon Lecturing and Information Co. have the hearty and immediate support, both moral and financial of our board of trade and leading merchants.

The matter admits of no delay. Time is essentially important and if it is not taken up at once we will become a byword to all business people, besides losing thousands of dollars, which we can ill afford. VERB-SAP.

Victoria, Oct. 7, 1897.

THE WESTRALIAN MINES.

TO THE EDITOR:—Glancing through your issue of the 3rd, I noticed Mr. Barrett's letter, which referred to Westralian mines and mining. I have but recently arrived direct from there after having spent five years prospecting on the Murchison, Norseman, Coolgardie and East Coolgardie goldfields, and I quite concur with Mr. Barrett's remarks in reference to immense sums of British as well as foreign money having been practically thrown away on valueless properties, when I say thrown away, I mean as far as the capitalist was concerned, for on the other hand the expenditure of it gave employment to thousands of men who rushed into the country from all directions, and who otherwise, generally speaking, would have had a very serious time, as food and water in the earlier days was not to be bought for a mere song.

I have noticed numbers of properties were sold for from £2,000 up to £10,000, many had neither reef nor lode thereon, and the sign of the yellow metal was that handed to the men in the form of sovereigns on their pay day. In other cases such sums as £15,000, £20,000 and £42,000 being paid for properties under twenty-five acres, and out of which perhaps not 100 ounces of gold had ever been obtained.

On the Murchison field, which has an immense area, I only know of about four properties which appeared worth their money at the time of sale, to wit., Star of the East, New Chum, Cue 1, and the Mainland Consols, which have turned out per ton, respectively, since floatation 2 oz. to 4 oz., 3 to 6 oz., 1 to 1½ oz., and the latter in two crushings gave, for 180 tons, 1,080 ozs., and for 200 tons 1,100 ozs. Whilst exceedingly rich pockets of gold had been found on the surface of all these properties, to quote some of those obtained on the Mainland Consols before its sale, 1,200 ozs. from three buckets of stone, 558 ozs. 15 dwts. from 15 cwt. crushed in a 3-head battery (or stamp mill) where a man was kept with a cup of quicksilver pouring some over the tables every twenty minutes to keep the amalgam soft, and 12 tons for 126 ozs., 10 tons for 115 ozs. 15 dwts.. I having worked most of this myself can vouch for its truth; this property was afterwards floated in England for £150,000. There were some good nuggets found on the Murchison, such as 40 oz., 72 oz. 10 dwt., 75 oz. and 90 oz., this latter was discovered lying on the slope of a spur (or low range), and it had to be divided between four mates, and having nothing better it was cut into four with an old hatchet, and one piece being somewhat larger than the others the men drew grass stalks to see who would take it. In one instance the successful Arthur Bailey (afterwards the finder of Coolgardie) went out one morning prospecting and came on quite a cluster of nuggets, and by the time he knocked off work at night he had netted 200 ozs. £800 is not a bad day's work. This discovery was made at a place called Nanine, about 60 miles from Cue, the centre of the goldfield. Notwithstanding these finds I feel sure not one-eighth of the men on the field had any luck. But it was the display of rich stone from the few mines and the fine alluvial slugs from the few rich alluvial patches, combined with their publication in the newspapers, which brought in British and foreign capital, just the same as will be done with the Klondyke.

On the Norseman field, which is situated in the southeastern portion of the colony and within easy reach of the South Australian ports, there was a great quantity of capital expended in the same manner as on the Murchison properties, here Adelaide principally came in for the first handling, and from them to British syndicates or companies. The same features as regards massive Buck reefs exist there as on the Murchison, quartz bodies are to be seen standing as high as 18 feet out of the ground, and from 12 feet to 20 feet wide, of course this is through the decomposition of the country rock which previously formed their walls.

Touching Coolgardie field, 114 miles from Norseman N. N. W., the same thing was to be noticed, only Mr. Barrett states that thousands were spent in preliminary works—if he had said millions he would have been nearer the mark perhaps. and what is the difference? One mine, the Lady Lock, was the only one turning out a decent yield when I left the field, and I see since that work was almost suspended on account of wages not having been paid. Bailey's Reward, which turned out £100,000 in dividends, has been practically idle for months, the rich chute of stone having apparently cut out. The Londonderry and Wealth of Nations, after the first pockets were removed, sunk into obscurity. On all these fields there are bodies of very low grade ore which will some day be worked; probably that will have to do with the next generation, or when those numerous stamper batteries, with winding and hauling gear, can be bought from companies for a mere song, so to speak. They will then be worked by small co-operative parties, who will only take the cream and leave the bulk of the poor stone, which with companies is alway taken in a face.

Now we come to the East Coogardie, of which Kalgoorlie is the centre. This is the only field which is keeping up its reputation. Here we have the Boulder Lode, which has turned out three tons of gold, the Lake View Consols two tons, the Ivanhoe a trifle over one ton, the Brown Hill, from which last November (or thereabouts) 500 tons was sent to Dry Creek smelting works, South Australia, and gave a yield of 5,000 ounces. Then there is the Ralgwili and Australia, which are yielding good telluride ores, as well are those other large mines shipping great quantities of the same. Outside these and perhaps a couple of others, there are thousands of acres under lease for mining purposes, and John Bull has the lion's share, I believe; but hasn't he had to pay for it, and for what return? Simply what he could make from the share markets.

There are several other goldfields more in the interior; here and there amongst them are good shows, but little is heard of them as the boom did not get that far. There is still plenty of country in West Australia, Queensland and Gippsland, in Victoria, to open up, and, here disagreeing with Mr. Barrett, I hope that those of my countrymen who have capital will stay and spend it there, as distant fields which look green are sometimes very disappointing, especially where a great number of Chinamen are allowed access to the country and overrun it, and I trust every Australian will not neglect to make it generally known across the Pacific that "Yellow John" helps to can the salmon they eat; we will soon see the result, and how the people there love John. However, to return to our subject, I believe there will yet be some more great discoveries of gold in Gippsland, Victoria. where the great, long tunnel is still at work steadily, after having turned out thirty tons of gold, and in which colony is George Lancell's Block 180 still panning out at 1,480 foot level, and where last year's return of gold amounted to 800,000 ounces. Then, take the field of Charters Towers, in the northwest of Queensland. In 1877 she yielded 597 ounces; last year the return was 232,994 ounces.

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There is staying at the Dominion hotel a man who says he has invented a means of locomotion by which the problem of how to get into the Yukon country expeditiously and with a good stock of supplies. This inventor is J. Holmberg, of Ferndale, California, and his presence in Victoria is in connection with the carrying into practical effect of his invention. Mr. Holmberg was not born in the United States, for he has only been ten years away from his native country, Sweden.

"I have invented a machine," he said yesterday, "which by means of a small boiler and engine of only four horse-power will travel twenty miles an hour on the flat. It will travel over land, it will run swiftly over the snow, no matter how deep, or it will also travel upon the water."

Just what mechanism he uses Mr. Holmberg is not willing to state at present, for he says, "My invention is not yet patented, though the patent is applied for, and the finishing arrangements are being made by a patent solicitor in Washington.

"My engine is intended to pull a train of boats," he explained. "On land these boats, which are the size of ordinary row boats, will go on runners, but when it is desired to navigate a stream of any length, the runners may be made detachable, so that they can for convenience sake be removed. With a four horse power engine from ten to fifteen boats fully loaded will form a train.

"How about getting over the passes from the Coast, you ask? Well, I tell you it does not make one bit of difference for I have made allowance for that. When there is a hill to climb, I have a windlass and tackle by which the engine can pull itself up and all the boats as well. It does not make any difference how steep the hill may be, even if it is straight up and down, that tackle can take it right over. The train will carry this tackle so as to be ready for any kind of work. Consequently my machine can travel by land or water, hill or valley, dry land or ice—just the same, though of course as great speed cannot be made on hilly country as on the level.

"No, I don't care to say just how I have managed to overcome all these difficulties, but I know that the man in Washington who is getting out my patent says it is unlike anything he ever saw before.

"Now I do not want to form a company," went on Mr. Holmberg, "but I do want to get a partner with some money who will help me to build my first train and get the thing started. It won't require a great deal of money, only a few thousands, but I want a good man on whom I can rely. I want to get to know the man first, so as to judge whether we can get along together, for I am not going to let every Tom, Dick and Harry see before hand what my invention is.

"We will not sell the trains, but build them ourselves and take people into new country wherever we want to go. It does not matter how far we have to go, for our engine can take us anywhere. Then, when we reach good, likely ground, we can stop and prospect a while and if we don't like it there we can move on another hundred miles or so without any trouble.

"Another thing I intend to do is to carry along pipes by means of which we can use steam to thaw out the frozen ground of the north instead of building fires to thaw the gravel as is now done in the Yukon. Steam will work much better and enable us to reach bed rock quickly."

Mr. Holmberg is a carpenter by trade, but has had a good deal to do with machinery and has good mechanical ideas, he says, so that he will put his machine together himself, though he will purchase the engine and boiler. The whole locomotive—if it may be styled such—will only cost some $300, the boats for the train being of course additional.

Here is a chance, therefore, for anyone who wants to join Mr. Holmberg in his enterprise. He is not sure where he will build his first locomotive, but thinks that it will be in Juneau. If he can find the machinery he wants here he will buy that in Victoria and take it to Juneau to complete the building of his train.

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